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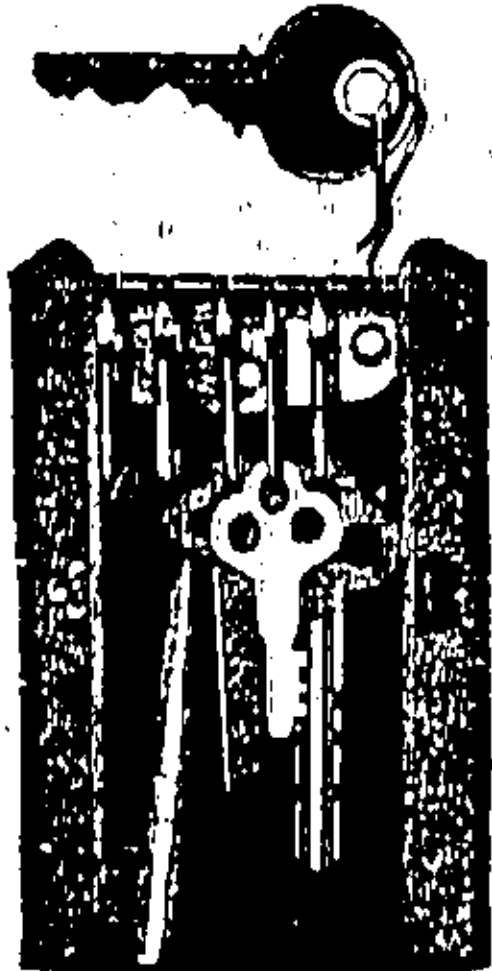
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## YANG SEIZES SHIPS. DRAMATIC NORTH CHINA EVENTS.

Stern American Warning.

GUNBOAT TO OPEN FIRE IF SHIPS SAIL.

Dramatic events are reported from North China, where General Yang Sen, one of the militarists opposing the Southern forces, has again commandeered foreign vessels for the transport of his troops. General Yang Sen, it will be remembered, is the general whose commandeering of British ships led to the Wanchien incident.

Shanghai, Dec. 16.  
A wireless message from Ichang states that General Yang Sen has commandeered a number of Japanese steamers in Shansi to transport his troops to Ichang following the routing of his forces by the Cantonese.

H.M.S. "Cricket" is guarding two British vessels which, it is believed, Yang Sen attempted to seize, while the American gun-

via Shanghai, "Sai Woo" (meaning Western Lake) is considered the prettiest place in China, with wonderful scenery preserved from the days of the famous poet, Li Po. This hard, according to mythology, is reputed to have been the first Chinese to interpret for a foreigner at the Emperor's court in Peking. In retirement he lived in a house in Sai Woo and also by the side of a lake in Waichow, in Kwangtung province. He was drowned through trying to embrace the reflection of the moon as seen in the waters of the lake near Hangchow.

Further to the messages published yesterday in the "China Mail," it has since been learned from the same source that the Nationalists used the same means as at Kinkiang, i.e., by sending up an army (about 2,000 strong) in plain clothes, the vanguard of which (several hundreds) "talked over" the garrison.

General Chow Feng-chi, some of whose troops refused to fight against the Cantonese at Kinkiang, has now openly gone over to the Kuomintang and accepted their appointment of him as the commander of the 26th Army.

Hankow "Tranquil."

Messrs. Jardine Matheson's shipping was tied up yesterday by a strike of cargo coolies and godowns men, but an amicable settlement was reached this morning. The company agreeing to the demands for increases in pay but declining to accept the Union's dictation re the dismissal and engagement of employees.

Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's cargo workers walked out this morning. The godowns have been strongly picketed, but it is understood that a settlement will probably be arrived at this afternoon on the same terms as that of Messrs. Jardine Matheson. The general situation is tranquil and fears of an organized strike have temporarily abated.

## "GENTLEMEN FROM THE SUNNING."

A Cantonese lufong was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning with the theft of a book of water account vouchers. In reply to Mr. D. McCallum (defending) who asked for a remand until to-morrow morning, his Worship said that he regretted that to-morrow he had to deal with the "gentlemen from the Sunning," but I will take the case on Saturday at 10.30.

## ARMED ROBBERS.

A report has reached Central Police Station that at 4.45 this morning two men, one armed with a dagger, and one with a revolver, entered a room at No. 74 Des Vaux Road, Central, gagging the occupant, a motor driver, and ransacking the room. The thieves got away with money and jewelry valued \$453.

A Chinese charged before Mr. Lindsell this morning with cutting saplings from the hill side, was fined \$20 or 14 days hard labour.

An announcement was made at Union Church last Sunday that on and after next Sunday, December 19, the hour of morning service would be 10.30 instead of 11 as hitherto. It was said that 11 o'clock was found distinctly inconvenient by both naval and military detachments, in whose interests the change was being made.

## FARMERS' APATHY.

New Territories and Development.

COMMITTEE'S DIFFICULTIES.

When Will the Mainland Awake?

It has already been mentioned that Mr. J. P. Bragg's questions at the Sanitary Board as to possibilities of more intensive New Territories development for agricultural purposes have been referred to the Colonial Secretary's department and that, as regards the possible holding of an Agricultural Show, the Rev. H. E. Wells has interested himself in the subject and has been asked to co-operate with the Government.

From further enquiries it appears that the formation of a Committee on this latter project is under consideration. Its personnel to consist partly of Government officials and, for the rest, of local residents and experts. The matter of more general development in the New Territories, including the possibility of holding a poultry show, is also under consideration by the Government.

Earlier Findings.

In the findings of the Economic Resources Committee which was appointed to go into this matter in 1921, the opinion was expressed that one of the greatest drawbacks to the introduction of modern methods in agriculture in the New Territories is the indifference on the part of the farmers to the whole question and to the ignorance which breeds this indifference. Even when the farmer had heard of better things he had no knowledge of how these might be achieved, the report stated. "The farmer lives in an isolated world and the success in money making which he hears of are in commerce rather than in agriculture."

The report in question recommended that expert examination should be made of the soil "with a view to securing technical advice on fertilisation and otherwise improving the fertility of the soil." It was also recommended that small grants should be made as capital to families requiring money to start.

Is it Profitable?

Varying degrees of prosperity were attributed by the Committee to other activities in the New Territories such as tobacco cultivation, cotton growing, tea, fruit and vegetable growing, sugar cane, fruit, sweet potato, onion and peanut cultivation. At the time the Committee in question made its report, the ginger industry (about which the late Mr. P. H. Holyoak was particularly desirous of information) was comparatively small, although profitable, inasmuch as ginger is raised with comparatively little trouble. Recent developments, however, point to more intensive cultivation of ginger locally.

Although the difficulties of putting in "hand large schemes for the New Territories, are great, particularly at the present time, modern progress in the matter of communications provides opportunities for transport which were absent in earlier days. All that appears to be needed, in the words of the report, is that the time honoured methods of the farmer may be broken into and that, by example and precept, he may be led to make more of his soil or stock. The time may not be far distant when Kowloon, with its hinterland in the New Territories, may come to be referred to as the beehive of industry in South China.

## SLIGHTLY IMPROVED.

EMPEROR OF JAPAN'S CONDITION.

Tokyo, Dec. 15.

A noon bulletin says the Emperor's condition has slightly improved. Owing to the Emperor's condition, Baron Shidehara has cancelled all his social engagements. It is announced that the Premier, who went to Hayama this morning, intending to return to Tokyo this evening, has decided to remain at the Imperial villa.—Reuter.

## TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 1/11 3/16.

## "SUNNING" PIRACY.

Further Evidence This Morning.

WHAT STEVEDORE SAW.

Ship's Carpenter And \$1,000 From Pirates.

A lengthy "cross-examination" of the "Sunning's" stevedore by Mr. J. A. Gordon Leask was the chief feature of this morning's hearing of the case against the twenty Chinese charged with being implicated in the piracy of that vessel on November 15 last. Re-called for cross-examination, the stevedore said that the 2nd defendant was the last man to slide down the rope into the life-belt.

Mr. d'Almada (defending the 2nd man): Was he armed?—He had no firearms.

Mr. d'Almada: Like you, he was forced to take an oath?—No.

Mr. d'Almada: How many oars were there?—Four or five.

Mr. d'Almada: He might have been behind you rowing?—I did not see him.

Mr. d'Almada: Did not one or two oars break?—No.

In reply to Mr. M. K. Lo (defending the 6th prisoner) witness said that he remained in his room until mid-night.

Cross-examined by Mr. Leask, witness said that in the life-boat, he was sitting astern, whilst the 15th prisoner was forward.

Mr. Leask: So he would be nearer the pirates than you?—The boat was very small.

Mr. Leask: Did you at any time see him threatened with firearms to row faster?—No.

Mr. Leask: When you saw him being handed the bundle of bank notes, did he make any effort to refuse them?—He had no alternative but to take them. He was being threatened that he might be shot.

Mr. Leask: When you got on board the "Bluebell," were all the occupants lined up and searched?—Yes.

Mr. Leask: You were standing quite close to No. 19 whilst you were being searched?—There was one man between us.

Mr. Leask: You were No. 8 and No. 19 was No. 6 in the line?—Yes.

Mr. Leask: Did you hear No. 19 make a statement?—I heard him say something in English to one of the officers who were searching him.

Mr. Leask: When you spoke to the Cantonese steward and explained how you got your money, did you say anything about No. 19?—Yes.

Mr. Leask: Where does the carpenter keep his tools on the "Sunning"?—In his room amidships.

Mr. Leask: Has he not a locker in the after-house?—I don't know.

Mr. Leask: Do you know whether it is a practice of members of the crew to buy and sell different currencies between Shanghai and Hong Kong?—Possibly they do that.

Mr. Leask: A man might buy copper cents in Shanghai and convert them into dollars in Amoy and make a profit?—Some do.

Re-examined by the Crown Solicitor (Mr. H. K. Holmes) witness said that he did not use an oar to steer the life-boat.

Mr. Orr, recalled, said that he remembered noticing that the No. 1 pirate had prominent cheekbones and that he showed a number of gold teeth when he opened his mouth.

Mr. Orr was not cross-examined.

Naval Officer's Evidence.  
The next witness called for the Crown was Sub-Lieut. Edmund

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## WEATHER FORECAST

Till noon to-morrow the official weather forecast for all local districts is:—N.E. winds, moderate to fresh; generally overcast, some drizzle or rain.

At 10.55 a.m. the Observatory reported:—Pressure has increased over S.W. Japan and slightly over central China. It is nearly stationary elsewhere.  
Meteorological observations at 6 a.m. to-day:—Barometer 29.92; temperature 70°; humidity 88°; wind E.S.E.; force 1; weather overcast.

## FOG CONFUSION.

Ferry Runs Out of Her Course.

RIVER STEAMBOATS DELAYED.

Two Harbour Launches Collide and One Sinks.

Fog experiences are somewhat rare for Hong Kong but a chapter of incidents has to be recorded for the last two days, none of which was attended with any loss of life, although there was at least one startling collision in the harbour.

After the report published in the subscribers' edition of the "China Mail" yesterday, it has transpired that one of the Yaumati ferries took about an hour, tooting all the way, to cross the harbour—normally a journey of less than fifteen minutes.

The launch is said to be the "Mau Kuen" which steamed very slowly, ultimately finding herself

## "GRETCHEN" TO BLAME.

Lt.-Com. G. F. Hole, R.N. (Harbour Master) held an investigation this morning into the circumstances attending yesterday's collision between the s/y's "Gretchen" and "Standard" and found that the coxswain of the "Gretchen" (which sank) was to blame.

off Stonecutters Island. By following the outside of the Yaumati breakwater the coxswain brought her to the wharf to the relief of those waiting.

Fog and mist at this time of the year are generally associated with periods of low water on the Canton River and several steamboats have had to wait on or near mudbanks for the river to rise.

## Curious Coincidence.

This part of the year is known in colloquial Chinese as "when Hung Ming 'borrowed' the arrows." Several centuries B.C., this famous warrior was engaged in a Naval war on the Yangtze against a rival of the Three Kingdoms era. Better known as Chu-kuo Liang, he is credited with having been able to forecast the weather for weeks ahead.

When the Northern army was anchored in the Yangtze, he set out in a dense mist from the southern bank in decoy boats padded with straw so as to draw all the arrows of the enemy, having previously promised to do so on the day on which he predicted there would be a heavy mist.

This week's depression over the Yangtze valley also brings to mind the sequel to the arrow episode. Chu-kuo Liang's plan was to send from the southern to the northern bank a fleet of boats soaked in oil and set alight so, as to burn out the Northern Navy. Much worry was caused in the camp of his faction and that of his allies as there was no wind from the south during winter. But on a fixed day, Chu-kuo Liang is said to have invoked spiritual aid in bringing about a strong southerly wind to accomplish purpose. The more practical explanation this by his ability to forecast the weather. At any rate, he succeeded in burning out the Northerners and in convincing all his rivals of his claim to be in touch with spirits.

River Boats Held Up.  
Men engaged in river shipping point out, however, that this is not the only time of the year when the water is shallow. Delays occur also in the spring. On Tuesday, the "Lungshan," coming down from Canton was held up for a few hours and had to pass the martial law area at Bocca Tigris in comparative darkness.

The three boats which went up from Hong Kong that day reached Canton about four hours late. These were the "Fatsan," "Tung On" and "Kwong Tung."

As stated yesterday, the "Sui Tai" had to anchor outside Macao the whole night but the "Chuen Chow"—also from Hong Kong—

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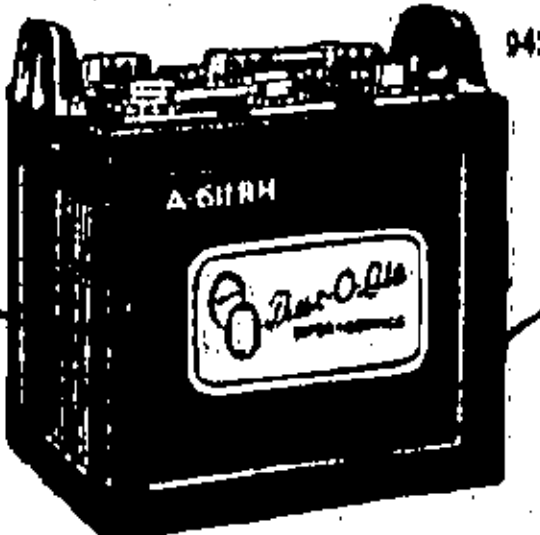
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pany, St. George's Building, Chater  
Road, Victoria in the Colony of  
Hong Kong on MONDAY, the 3rd  
day of January, 1927, at 2.30  
o'clock in the afternoon when the  
Subjoined Resolution will be pro-  
posed as an Extraordinary Resolu-  
tion viz:—  
"That the regulations contained  
in the printed document submit-  
ted to the Meeting and for the  
purpose of identification sub-  
scribed by the Chairman thereof  
be approved and adopted as the  
"Articles of Association of the  
Company in substitution for  
and to the exclusion of all  
existing Articles thereof."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO  
GIVEN that a further EXTRA-  
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING  
of the Company will be held at  
the same place on THURSDAY, the  
20th day of January, 1927, at 2.30  
o'clock in the afternoon for the  
purpose of receiving a report of  
the proceedings of the above men-  
tioned meeting and of confirming,  
if thought fit, as a Special Resolu-  
tion the above mentioned Resolu-  
tion.

A copy of the proposed new  
Articles of Association of the  
Company with the said alterations,  
amendments and differences be-  
tween the existing and new  
Articles incorporated and indicated  
in red ink can be seen during  
usual business hours at the Re-  
gistered Office of the Company  
aforesaid.

Dated the 16th day of December,  
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Company dated 22nd September,  
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\$5.00 per share on the New Shares  
was made payable on 15th Decem-  
ber, 1926, the General Managers,  
and the Consulting Committee,  
have decided, in view of the con-  
ditions prevailing at present, to fur-  
ther extend the time for payment  
of this Call.

Notice is accordingly hereby  
given that the date for payment of  
the Final Call is postponed to 15th  
day of March, 1927, and that the  
Form of Bankers Receipt already  
sent to Shareholders can be used  
as though the date named thereon  
were 15th March, 1927.

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the Colony of Hong Kong, on  
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ber, 1926, at 11 o'clock in the fore-  
noon when the subjoined Resolu-  
tion will be proposed as an Extra-  
ordinary Resolution viz:—

"That the Regulations contain-  
ed in the printed document  
submitted to the meeting and for  
the purpose of identification sub-  
scribed by the Chairman  
thereof be approved and adopted  
as the Articles of Association of  
the Company in substitution for  
and to the exclusion of all exist-  
ing Articles thereof."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO  
GIVEN that a further EXTRA-  
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING  
of the Company will be held at  
the same place on MONDAY, the 10th  
day of January, 1927, at 11 o'clock  
in the forenoon for the purpose  
of receiving a report of the proceed-  
ings of the above mentioned meet-  
ing and of confirming, if thought  
fit, as a Special Resolution the  
above mentioned Resolution.

Dated this 13th day of December,  
1926.

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General Managers.

# CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR ANNOUNCEMENTS.

**HONGKONG HOTEL**

MONDAY, 27th December, 1926 - BOXING NIGHT CARNIVAL 8.00 p.m. to 1.00 a.m.  
FRIDAY, 31st December, 1926 - NEW YEAR'S EVE CARNIVAL 8.00 p.m. to 1.00 a.m.

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SATURDAY, 1st January, 1927 - TEA DANCE 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.

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Fukien, that he will surrender his  
troops to General Tu Chih-yun of  
the Southern forces and retire into pri-  
vate life. General Chang I expressed  
a desire that his family and pri-  
vate property, held by Admiral Sa  
Chen-ping, be returned to him.  
"Toho."

**INDIVIDUALISM.**

SIR HUGH BELL'S CURE OF  
LABOUR TROUBLES.

A bitter attack against the  
action of the Government in the  
coal dispute, and of its policy  
since the beginning of the war  
with regard to strikes and labour  
disputes, was made by Sir Hugh  
Bell in an address delivered at  
the First Luncheon of the In-  
dividualist Bookshop, to 300 in-  
dividualists.

"The attempt by the Govern-  
ment to regulate prices of com-  
modities and prices of service  
was the most futile thing that  
they ever did," declared Sir Hugh  
Bell. "Neither Royal Commis-  
sions nor arbitration courts will  
ever solve labour troubles." In-  
dividualists have found the only  
solution, that is to get men to  
believe that commerce is not  
conflict but co-operation. The  
whole attitude of the Government  
during the present coal dispute  
is a typical example of how not  
to do things.

"Sloppy sentimentalism," was  
the name that Sir Hugh Bell, as  
an individualist, gave to the spirit  
that had been creeping over Brit-  
ain for the past 40 years. "It  
has been called social reform, and  
welfare organisation by politicians  
simply in order to attract  
votes," he declared. "This disease  
has undermined the spirit of per-  
sonal enterprise and undertaking  
in this country."

Sir Ernest Benn, in explaining  
the Individualist Bookshop, which  
is starting reading circles when  
books on economics will be studied  
and discussed as an antidote to  
collectivist politics, said that the  
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**THE MALARIA PROBLEM.**

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to be a positive cure for malaria and  
that the larger the dose the more  
powerful was its effect. Now these  
theories have been proved erroneous.  
Whilst quinine is still recognised as an  
exceedingly useful drug administered  
in small doses in cases of malaria, its  
use in excess is condemned by the medi-  
cal profession. In fact one eminent  
authority stated not long ago that over-  
dosing with quinine actually reduces  
the sufferer's chance of cure.

The chief thing to do in treating  
malaria is to improve the quality of the  
patient's blood by increasing the red  
corpuscles therein, so that it, in turn,  
becomes strong enough to overcome the  
malarial parasites which thrive and  
multiply with amazing rapidity in im-  
poverished or anæmic blood. It is be-  
cause they do exactly this that Dr.  
Williams' Pink Pills, the world-famous  
blood builder and nerve tonic, have  
proved so remarkably successful in the  
treatment of malaria and are so popu-  
lar in malarial countries.

For example take the case of Mr.  
J. E. Parrie, Assistant Postmaster at  
Penadure, Ceylon. This gentleman  
states:—"Early in 1921 I suffered from  
malaria for about four months, during  
which time I became very weak. The  
malarial attacks were frequent, and  
many a day I spent in bed unable to  
work. My doctor gave me a prescrip-  
tion and at the same time advised a  
course of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. So  
I commenced taking Dr. Williams' Pink  
Pills and then gradually the fever left  
me and my strength and appetite re-  
turned. Since my cure I have not had  
another attack of malaria and have  
kept in good health for which I thank  
Dr. Williams' Pink Pills." Dr. Williams  
Pills for Pale People, also sent post free, at \$1.50 per bottle, \$3  
for 6 bottles, by Dr. Williams' Medi-  
cine Co., 33 Kings Road, Shanghai.

**AT THE STAR.**

"RECOMPENSE" TO-DAY TILL  
SATURDAY.

Monte Blue and Marie Prevost  
recently deserted the Warner  
Bros. studio to be married—but  
not to each other.

Now they are back at work  
after their respective honeymoon-  
trips, and were assign-  
ed to play the two lead-  
ing roles in "Recompense,"  
the screen adaptation of the "best  
seller" of the same name, a sequel  
to "Simon Called Peter," the  
author being Robert Keable.

This is the story of what fol-  
lowed after the madcap week-  
end adventure in Paris. The stirring  
action moves from Paris of  
Armistice Day, to Africa of the  
desolate, wild, and thence  
jumps to London, when the drama  
comes to its climax.

The supporting cast comprises,  
in addition to Blue and Prevost,  
John Roche, George Siegman,  
Charles Stevens, Virginia Brown  
Fair, William C. Davidson and  
Etta Lee.

**YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.**

HEAP TREE  
ATROCIOUS  
CAP CLAPS TOR  
LE SHIPPER RI  
ERISE SEE EDAM  
FOURTH REPELS  
APE RIIB  
ADVENT VANISH  
MEN AGO RTTA  
EN TWIRLED AT  
NEW ALDOD PRE  
ENDOWMENT  
DEER ENDS

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**Public Auctions—**

THE Undersigned have received  
instructions from the Trustee  
of Messrs. A. Kwai & Co. (In  
Liquidation) to sell by Public  
Auction

ON  
SATURDAY,  
the 18th December, 1926,  
commencing at 10 a.m.

at Nos. 18 and 19, Connaught Road,  
Central, Ground Floors.  
A Large Quantity of Twine, Bunt-  
ings, Canvas and Rubber Pippings,  
Beltings, Paints, Packings, Wire  
Rope, Lanterns, Steam Gauges,  
Glass, Search Lights, Brushes,  
Files, Drills, etc., etc.

A Large Lot of Miscellaneous  
Ship Fittings.  
Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,  
Auctioneers.

THE Undersigned have received  
instructions from The Execu-  
tor of the late Hon. Mr. P. H.  
Holyoak to sell by Public Auction

ON  
TUESDAY,  
the 21st December, 1926,  
commencing at 10.30 a.m. with an  
interval from 12.30 to 2.30 p.m. at  
"Taiwo" Barker Road (No. 453, The  
Beak).

A Large Quantity of  
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE &  
CURIOS

Comprising:—  
Teak Hatstand, Chesterfield  
Couch, Chesterfield Chairs, Teak  
Tables, Teak Chairs, Teak Flower  
Stands, Oil Paintings, Water  
Colours, Brass Ornaments, Brass  
Fenders, Carpets, Curtains, etc.  
Teak Extension Dining Table,  
Teak Sideboard with Bevelled Mir-  
ror, Teak Glass Cabinet, Dinner  
Wagon, Glass Ware, Crockery,  
E. P. Ware, Electric Table Fans,  
White Frost Refrigerator, etc.  
Brass and Teak Bedsteads, Teak  
Wardrobes with Electric Fittings,  
Teak Dressing Tables, Teak Chests  
of Drawers, Bookcase, Ottoman  
with Drawers, Pictures, Orna-  
ments, Books, etc.

One Electric Victrola XVI.  
One Telescope.

ALSO  
A Large Quantity of Curios (Some  
Very Old Pieces), Metal Work  
Pictures and Blackwood Ware.

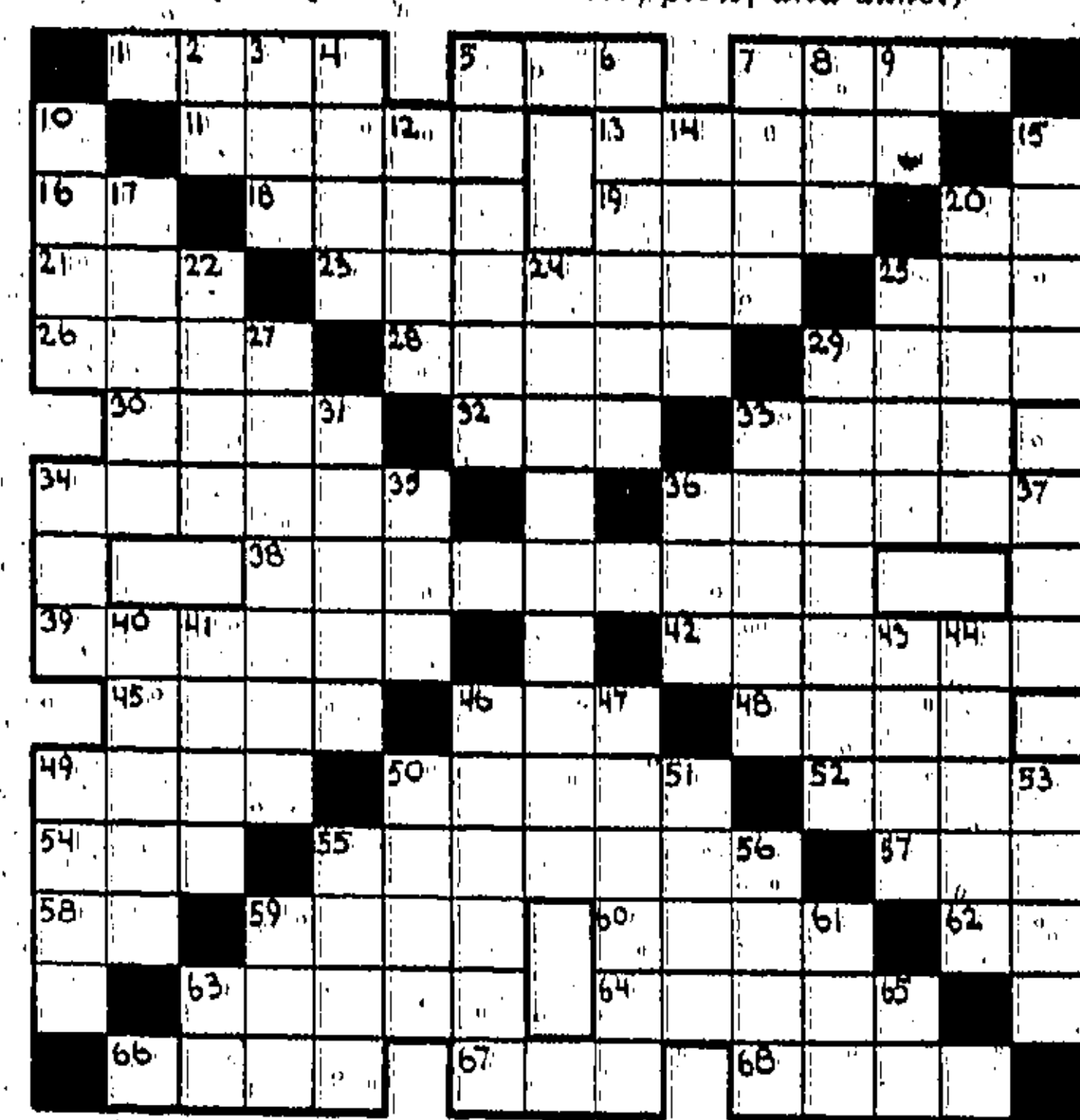
ALSO  
A Large Quantity of Ferns in Pots,  
Mauritius Palms and Ostich Fea-  
ther Palms and Various Assortment  
of Plants in Pots.

Catalogues will be issued.  
On View from Sunday, the 19th  
December, 1926.

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**OUR CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.**

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert  
but our readers are warned to look out for occasional  
phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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**HORIZONTAL**

1-Tear  
5-Rim  
7-Whirl  
11-Two-spot  
13-Book of maps  
15-Inside  
18-Beverage (pl.)  
19-Watery part of  
20-Observe  
21-Weep convulsively  
23-Slid  
25-Feather neckpiece  
26-Horny sheath on an  
animal's foot  
28-Raid  
29-Cloak  
30-Two season  
32-Unused  
33-Child  
34-To hold back  
36-Terror  
38-To furnish with  
food  
39-A constellation of  
stars  
42-Linger  
45-Stem of tall grass  
46-Cover  
48-Loyal (poet)  
49-Wild animal  
50-A breakfast dish

**HORIZONTAL (Cont.)**

52-Split  
54-Writing fluid  
55-Withdraws  
57-Cravat  
58-Near  
59-Man's smoking  
60-Kite  
62-Province of Canada  
(abbr.)  
63-To shiver  
64-Sharp  
66-Wild animal  
67-Affirmative  
68-Scout

**VERTICAL (Cont.)**

24-Cliff, high and very  
steep  
25-Boat  
27-Meaning young girl  
(slang)  
28-Part of laundry  
equipment  
31-Weary  
32-Cook star a fire  
33-Father  
35-Conjunction  
36-White tile  
37-Sailor  
38-East point  
41-Pace  
44-Sportive child  
46-Manila  
47-Avoids  
49-Cloth worn under  
chin (pl.)  
50-Nod of command  
51-Want  
53-Trial  
55-Fly  
56-Food made from  
East-Indian palms  
59-Feminine pronoun  
61-Point of compass  
(abbr.)  
65-Perform

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will  
appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word  
puzzle.)

**PUBLIC AUCTIONS.**

THE Undersigned have received  
instructions to sell by Public  
Auction

ON  
FRIDAY,  
the 17th December, 1926,  
commencing at 2.30 p.m.  
at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

A Large Quantity of  
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD  
FURNITURE

Comprising:—  
Teak Hatstand, Teak and Glass  
Silver Cabinets, Teak Bookcases,  
Tapestry Covered Couch and  
Chairs, Teak Desks, Teak Chairs,  
Carpets, Rugs, etc., etc.  
Teak Extension Dining Tables,  
Dining Chairs, Teak Sideboards  
with Bevelled Mirrors, Teak Ice  
Chest, Dinner Crockery, Cooking  
Utensils, etc., etc.  
Teak and Iron and Brass Bed-  
steads with and without Mattresses,  
Teak Wardrobes with Bevelled Mir-  
rors, Teak Dressing Tables, Teak  
Chest of Drawers, Teak Chamber  
Stands, etc., etc.

ALSO  
A Few Pieces of  
CANTON BLACKWOOD  
FURNITURE

AND  
1 Cottage Piano by John Broad-  
wood & Son.  
1 Cabinet Victrola.  
1 Columbia Cabinet Gramophone.  
1 Remington Typewriter.  
1 Remington Typewriter with  
Long Carriage.  
3 Electric Ceiling Fans.  
12 Lavatory Basins.  
12 Sinks.

One Singer Sewing Machine.  
Catalogues will be issued.  
On View from Thursday, the 16th  
December, 1926.

Terms:—Cash on delivery.  
LAMMERT BROS.,  
Auctioneers.

Hong Kong, 13th December, 1926.

THE Undersigned have received  
instructions to sell by Public  
Auction

ON  
MONDAY,  
the 20th December, 1926,  
commencing at 3.30 p.m.  
at their Sales Room, Duddell  
Street.

A Quantity of  
BEER, WINE AND SPIRITS.

Comprising:—  
Beer, Gin, Champagne, Vermouth,  
etc., etc.  
(to be put up in suitable lots)

On View on Day of Sale.  
Terms:—Cash on Delivery.  
LAMMERT BROS.,  
Auctioneers.

Hong Kong, 16th December, 1926.

THE Undersigned have received  
instructions to sell by Public  
Auction

ON  
MONDAY,  
the 20th December, 1926,  
commencing at 10 a.m.

at Godown No. 18, The Hong Kong  
& Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co.,  
Ltd., Kowloon.

A Large Quantity of  
MISCELLANEOUS GOODS

Comprising:—  
Round Iron, Broken Glass, Glass  
Sweepings, Lubricating Oil, Sul-  
phate of Ammonia, Wax, Fir Lum-  
ber, Fungus, Beche de mer, Flour,  
Leather, Sweepings of Rose Wood,  
Matches, Angle Iron, Flat Iron,  
Enamelled Vessels, Cynamide,  
Clocks, Ornamental Plaster Work,  
Porcelain, Bolts and Nuts, Wire,  
Bepr. Nails, Paint Samples, Lin-  
seed Oil, Turpentine, Iron Pipe,  
Red Oxide Paint, Galvanized Iron  
Ware, Square Iron Hoop, Iron, Old  
Iron Sheet, Gas Pipe Fittings,  
Loose Piece Goods, Wrench Handle,  
Steel Channels, Oil, China Ware,  
Thermos Bottles, Cement, Naphtha-  
line, Sulphuric Acid, Flasks, Kraft  
Cheese, Corn Starch, Tinplates,  
Fruit Salad, Salmon, Beetel Nut  
Husks, Sardines, Bartlett Pears,  
Sardines, Saver Kraut, Rolled Oats,  
Appetizers, Glass, Colchese, Baking  
Powder, Tomatoes, Canned Cherries,  
Syrup, Sausage, Milk, Asparagus  
Tips, Embroidery, Handkerchiefs,  
Stamp Ink, Cake Changers, Advertis-  
ing Matter, Medicine Tablets,  
Dynamo, Buttons, Storage Battery  
Parts, Safe, etc., etc.

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LAMMERT BROS.,  
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Hong Kong, 14th Dec., 1926.

**HONGKONG HEIGHTS.**

For the information of visitors  
the following list of some of the  
highest points on the Island and  
Mainland is published:—

Island.	Feet.
Victoria Peak	1828
Signal Station	1774
Mt. Parker	1734
Mountain Lodge	1725
The Byrie	1725
Peak Hotel	1505
Talkoo Sanatorium	1000
Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Rd. (filterbeds)	297
Mainland.	Feet.
Taimoshan	3124
Kowloon Peak	1971



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ALTAI MARU ..... Friday, 7th January.

RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS &amp; BUENOS AIRES—Via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban &amp; Capetown.

MANILA MARU ..... Monday, 17th January.

BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.

UJA MARU ..... Thursday, 16th December.

SUMATRA MARU (Calls at Penang) Tuesday, 21st December.

ISHIKARI MARU ..... Friday, 24th December.

DURBAN DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.

SUMATRA MARU (Calls at Penang) Monday 20th December.

MEXICO MARU ..... Wednesday, 22nd December.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.

BINGO MARU ..... Saturday, 25th December.

BANGKOK—Via Saigon.

KOHSEI MARU ..... End of December.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA &amp; VANCOUVER Via Shanghai and Japan.

ARABIA MARU (From Shanghai) Monday, 20th December.

PARIS MARU ..... Tuesday, 21st December.

HAIPHONG—Via HOIHOW &amp; PAKHOI.

MENADO MARU ..... Friday, 24th Dec., 10 a.m.

NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco and Panama.

HAWAII MARU (From Keelung) Monday, 3rd January.

JAPAN PORTS.

SEATTLE MARU ..... Friday, 24th December.

KEELUNG VIA SWATOW &amp; AMOY.

HOAN MARU ..... Sunday, 19th December, 10 a.m.

TAKU MARU ..... Wednesday, 22nd Dec., 10 a.m.

TAKAO VIA SWATOW &amp; AMOY.

KOTSU MARU ..... Friday, 17th December, 8 a.m.

TAKAO &amp; KEELUNG.

SOURABAI MARU ..... Friday, 24th December.

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CHUKWA MARU (Calls at Shanghai) Saturday, 18th December.

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## SHIPPING SECTION.

## SCRAPPED WARSHIPS.

BRITAIN AND WASHINGTON TREATY.

Rugby, Dec. 15.

The battleships "Ajax," "King George" and "Thunderer" having now been prepared for sale, and the "Centurion" having been prepared for conversion into a target ship, the necessary action has been taken in regard to this group of ships under the Washington Treaty.

The "Nelson" and "Rodney," the two new battleships which replace them, will be in commission in about six months.

No further scrapping under the treaty is now required until 1934.—British Wireless Service.

## PORTS OF INDIA.

LITTLE ACCOMMODATION FOR VESSELS.

## SCARCITY OF QUAYS.

Considering the enormous extent of the coast line of the Indian Empire, the number of ports with accommodation for vessels along-side quays is surprisingly small. To some extent, this is accounted for, on the western side, by the fact that, for nearly a thousand miles at a little distance from the coast and stretching southwards from the Gulf of Cambay to Cape Comorin, there is a steep range of mountains, the Sydharia, with summits more than 3,000 ft. high, which makes access to the seaboard a matter of great difficulty. Geologically, the Ghats, as this ridge is commonly called, consist of an outflow of volcanic rock known as Deccan Trap. Which is supposed to have been ejected from huge craters. It is the largest area of volcanic rock in the world, covering no less than 100,000 square miles, with a maximum thickness of 5,000 ft. So precipitous are the Ghats that, south of Bombay, about 250 miles of coast is cut off from railways, and between Bombay and Madras there are only three roadways leading from the high to the lower country. On the eastern side, between Madras and Calcutta, there is a tract of country, roughly triangular, with a coast base 600 miles long and an area of 100,000 square miles, which is so sparsely populated that there is but little need for a port. Similarly, on the western coast of Burma, there is a length of 500 miles of seaboard separated from the hinterland by Ghats.

Beginnings at the northern end of the Arabian Sea, the first port is Karachi, which serves the Punjab, with its large area of irrigated cultivation. The work of constructing a fine quay on the northern side, with a depth of 34 ft. at low water, is now in progress. Karachi is the nearest port to Europe, and although it may be many years before its geographical position will bring it into close rivalry with Bombay, the trade there must be enormously increased when work on one of the greatest of the irrigation projects—the Sukkur barrage—is brought to completion.

Next comes Bombay, and, farther south, Marmagao, with a comparatively small trade, which, in tonnage, is largely made up of manganese ore. At the lower end of the east coast, there has been established a ferry service between India and Ceylon dealing with passenger and goods traffic. Proceeding northward, Madras is reached.

Here extremely difficult conditions have been successfully overcome. The next port is Calcutta, nearly 900 miles to the north, but, midway between Calcutta and Madras, a new harbour is being constructed at Vizagapatnam, together with a line of railway leading up to about the apex of the triangular territory already mentioned. Chittagong, at the head of the Bay of Bengal, is the last of the ports in India proper. It serves the tea-growing districts of Assam and the densely populated eastern side of Bengal around Dacca and Mymensingh; where a large quantity of jute is grown.—Mr. F. Palmer in "Engineering."

## LOCAL SHIPPING.

TO-DAY'S ARRIVALS AND CLEARANCES.

## THE MORNING LIST.

This morning, the following sea-going arrivals at Hong Kong were reported:—

Shikang (1,616 tons), British, from Shanghai, Amoy; B. & S.—350 tons cargo for Hong Kong, 30 tons through cargo, 161 passengers.

Klungchow (1,645 tons), British, from Bangkok; B. & S.—1,726 tons H.K., 5 passengers.

Myrmidon (3,062 tons), British, from Bremen, Singapore; B. & S.—600 tons H.K., 1,800 tons through.

Hopsang (1,359 tons), Brit., from Canton; J. M. & Co.—15 tons through.

Haining (332 tons), British, from Poochow, Swatow; Douglas Co.—620 tons H.K., 284 passengers.

Prominent (1,377 tons), Norwegian, from Saigon; Karsten Larssen & Co.—2,270 tons H.K., 196 passengers.

Elger (875 tons), Nor., from Canton; Karsten Larssen & Co.—150 tons H.K.

Hozan Maru (1,383 tons), Japanese, from Keelung, Swatow, M.B.K.—500 tons coal and 242 tons general H.K., 140 passengers.

Lushan Maru (1,507 tons), Jap., from Canton; N.Y.K.—6 tons H.K.; 91 tons through.

Aizawa Maru No. 21 (843 tons), Jap., from Canton; M.B.K.

Nashin Maru No. 2 (1,402 tons), Jap., from Canton; Suzuki & Co.

Kotsu Maru (918 tons), Jap., from Canton; O.S.K.—1 ton medicine through.

Ryukyu Maru (964 tons), Jap., from Canton; O.S.K.—135 tons H.K., 250 tons through.

Uga Maru (8,327 tons), Jap., from Yokohama, Moji; O.S.K.—603 tons H.K., 3,649 tons through.

Andes Maru (4,847 tons), Jap., from Kobe, Shanghai; O.S.K.—243 tons H.K., 6,328 tons through.

Paling Maru (1,687 tons), Jap., from Canton; N.Y.K.—420 tons through, 154 passengers.

Chukwa Maru (1,230 tons), Jap., from Dairen, Swatow; O.S.K.—352 tons H.K., 1,079 tons through.

Poo Sang (729 tons), Chinese, from Kwong-chow-wan; Tin Shing—420 tons H.K.

Tak Hing (405 tons), Chh., from Au Tau; Fook Hoi—4 tons H.K., 120 passengers.

## Departures.

For Ningpo: Linah.

For Swatow: Lushan Maru.

For Canton: Luchow, Kwongkong.

For Au Tau: Tak Hing.

For Shanghai: Myrmidon, Pushimi Maru, Arabien, Tjikarang.

For Kwong-chow-wan: Hanoi, Sun Kong.

For Wei-hai-wei: Kueichow.

For Bangkok: Chihhua.

For Haiphong: Borneo.

For Iloilo: City of Tokio.

For Hoihow: Jade.

For Pakhoi: Fortuna.

For Canton: Elger.

For Amoy: Seang Bee.

For Balikpapan: Ranella.

For Singapore: Hector.

## Clearances.

For Muntok: Tjikembang.

For Moji: Bokuyo Maru.

For Tourane: Chung Kong.

For Keelung: Nishin Maru No. 2.

## THE MORNING LIST.

This morning, the following sea-going arrivals at Hong Kong were reported:—

British ..... 23

Panama ..... 1

Norwegian ..... 6

Japanese ..... 11

Chinese ..... 14

Dutch ..... 6

Portuguese ..... 3

Total ..... 69

Yesterday's arrivals:—5 British, 10 Japanese, 2 Norwegian, 2 Chinese—total 19.

Yesterday's departures:—11 British, 2 Japanese, 1 Norwegian, 2 Chinese, 2 Danish, 1 Dutch, 2 French—total 21.

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## "SUNNING" PIRACY.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Wybergh Thurston, R.N., H.M.S. "Bluebell."

Witness remembered sighting a burning ship at 4.30 a.m. on November 16. The "Bluebell" was then ten miles from Cheland Point. She steamed towards the burning ship which she found to be the "Sunning." Nearby was another merchant vessel, the "Kaying." A heavy sea was running and it was not possible to get one of the "Bluebell's" boats lowered. Witness went to the "Sunning" on one of the "Kaying's" boats.

Mr. Holmes: What did you do on board the "Sunning"?—I rounded up all the Chinese I could see, and, assisted by the Captain and Chief boatswain, picked out all suspected pirates. About fifty were present at the muster. There were two wounded men on the deck and one pirate had already been tied up.

Continuing, witness said that he searched the forward part of the ship, but did not find any other Chinese. The ship was burning fiercely at that time. Another man was added to the party at about 3 p.m. Witness was able to identify that man as the 6th prisoner in Court.

Mr. Holmes: Did you search him?—Yes.

Mr. Holmes: Did you hear him speaking at all?—Yes, very volubly.

Witness identified a gold watch, chain and pendant which were found on the 6th defendant when searched.

Mr. Holmes: It may help Mr. Lo if I say at once that no one has claimed these things. For all we knew, they may be his private property.

The hearing then adjourned until this afternoon.

## UNUSUAL FEATURES.

For the first time in a good many months, the number of Japanese sea-going vessels in harbour at 9 a.m. this morning exceeded double figures, 11 to be precise.

Yesterday 10 Japanese ships entered Hong Kong harbour and 2 left.

Of the 10 entries, the Osaka Shosen Kaisha had 5, Nippon Yusen Kaisha and Mitsui Bussan Kaisha 2 each and Suzuki & Co. 1. Six of these Japanese boats were from Canton and two of these carried cargoes which were bigger than have been the case recently on British bottoms.

Out of 19 arrivals yesterday, no less than 8 were from Canton.

## HARBOUR OFFENCE.

For failing to observe the rule of the road whilst under way in the harbour, the master of the steam launch "Hermes" was fined \$5 at the Marine Court this morning.

## CANADIAN PACIFIC

QUICKEST TIME ACROSS THE PACIFIC. TO VICTORIA &amp; VANCOUVER.

SAILINGS 1927.

STAMERS	H'Kong	Shanghai	Kobe	Yokohama	Yvon
EMPEROR OF ASIA	Jan. 5	Jan. 8	Jan. 11	Jan. 14	Jan. 23
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Jan. 20	Jan. 23	Jan. 26	Jan. 29	Feb. 13
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Feb. 16	Feb. 19	Feb. 22	Feb. 25	Mar. 8
EMPEROR OF ASIA	Mar. 9	Mar. 12	Mar. 15	Mar. 18	Mar. 27
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Mar. 30	Apr. 2	Apr. 5	Apr. 8	Apr. 17
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Apr. 20	Apr. 23	Apr. 26	Apr. 29	May 8
EMPEROR OF ASIA	May 11	May 14	May 17	May 20	May 29
EMPEROR OF CANADA	June 1	June 4	June 7	June 10	June 19
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	June 22	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 10
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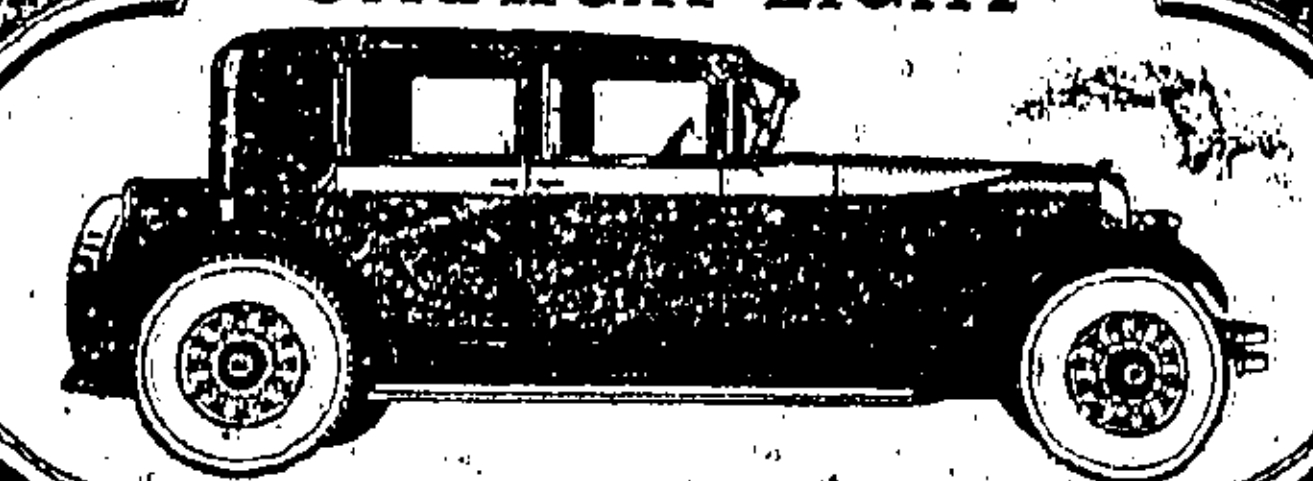
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MHRZAPORE	8,715	29th Dec.	Marseilles, London, Hamburg & R'dam
NYANZA	7,023	6th Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay
MAIWA	10,941	8th Jan.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
KALYAN	9,144	22nd Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo, & B'bay
DEVANHA	8,155	28th Jan.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
MOREA	10,918	5th Feb.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
DELTA	9,097	18th Feb.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
KASHMIR	9,066	19th Feb.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
NELLORE	6,563	3rd March	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
MAIWA	10,941	6th March	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay
KASHGAR	9,066	12th March	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
NYANZA	7,023	17th March	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MONGOLIA	10,918	19th March	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
MAIWA	10,941	2nd April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay
DEVANHA	8,155	9th April	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
KALYAN	9,144	16th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo, & B'bay
MAIWA	10,941	23rd April	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
KHIVA	9,135	24th May	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MOREA	10,918	28th May	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull

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TAKLAWA	7,936	2nd Jan.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
TAKADA	9,949	13th Jan.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
TILAWA	10,000	4th Feb.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Calcutta

## EASTERN &amp; AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

* ST. ALBANS	4,500	31st Dec.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island,
ARAFURA	6,000	28th Jan.	Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, &
TANDA	6,066	4th March	Melbourne.
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ARAFURA	6,000	29th April	
TANDA	6,066	3rd June	

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MOREA	10,918	7th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
DEVANHA	8,155	7th Jan.	Shanghai & Kobe
TILAWA	10,000	12th Jan.	Shanghai & Kobe
KASHGAR	9,066	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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SUSPENSION OF THEIR  
SERVICE.

DIRECTORS SUPPORTED.

At a meeting on December 5,  
the majority of shareholders in  
the China Merchants' Steam  
Navigation Company, Ltd.,  
China's leading shipping firm,  
passed a resolution favouring  
the proposal of the directors of the  
company to suspend all services  
(coast and Yangtze) pending the  
return of its steamers which  
either have been seized by the  
militarists or by the Seamen's  
Union. The resolution was  
carried without dissent, and a  
telegram to this effect was framed  
and circulated throughout the  
country. The decision was formally  
carried into effect on Decem-  
ber 6, when all steamers  
were called back to Shanghai and  
those in port were tied up until  
such time as assurances are  
forthcoming that there will be  
no more seizures or interference.

The meeting was presided over  
by Mr. Lu Tz-chuan, who delivered  
a brief address, in the course  
of which he gave the reasons why  
the directors had arrived at such a  
decision. There had been con-  
stant interference with the com-  
pany's business by the military  
leaders and others who thought  
fit to do so, and most of the  
Yangtze fleet had been com-  
mandeered by Marshal Sun  
Chuan-fang. There was no  
prospect of their immediate re-  
turn as all warnings had been  
unheeded, and it was impossible  
for the company continually to  
be paying out money without  
receiving an income. Under  
such conditions, it was thought  
better to suspend business rather  
than entail further losses. The  
company realised how great-  
ly it would affect the inter-  
ests of the public and  
cause considerable incon-  
venience but there was no other  
course open. Although petitions  
had been sent to the authorities  
in Nanking, Canton and Swatow,  
where 10 vessels were detained  
either by the warring factions or  
the Seamen's Union, no assurance  
was forthcoming that they would  
be returned. All the company  
desired in order to resume its  
activities was that, no matter  
who was in power and ruled  
China, its ships would not in  
future be commandeered or in-  
terfered with and that full pro-  
tection would be afforded to the  
officers, crews and vessels. It  
wanted to do business in peace.  
The present arbitrary system was  
doing infinite harm to China's  
trade.

It is estimated, as a result  
of the suspension, that no fewer  
than 3,000 hands will be affected  
abroad and some 6,000 more  
ashore. The former are distri-  
buted among the company's 31  
steamers, and include about 180  
foreign officers and engineers,  
apart from the seamen and com-  
pradores' employees. The com-  
pany's services include Canton  
and Hong Kong, Swatow, Wen-  
chow, Foochow, Ningpo, Tientsin  
and Chefoo, as well as the lower  
and upper Yangtze lines. One  
of the steamers on the Hankow  
run, the "Kiangyung," which was  
among the many seized by Sun  
Chuan-fang, was carrying a load  
of ammunition aboard when she  
exploded and caught fire, with  
the result that she was burned to  
the water's edge. Demands were  
made for compensation but they  
were ignored. By Marshal Sun,  
with the result that the crews of  
several vessels went on strike  
some weeks ago to enforce pay-  
ment to the families of the dead  
and injured. Some days ago,  
Marshal Sun offered to pay the  
wages of the foreign officers and

## PASSENGER LIST.

ARRIVALS.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Fushimi  
Mara" arrived on December 15  
from London, via Ports with a  
large number of passengers. The  
names of those disembarking at  
Hong Kong are given on page 8.  
There are also many others of  
various nationalities bound for  
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama.

DEPARTURE.

Passengers who left Hong  
Kong on the s.s. "Hector" for  
the United Kingdom, on Dec. 15  
include:—

Mr. and Mrs. J. Kennedy, Mrs.  
P. H. Holyoak, Miss J. Holyoak,  
Lt.-Comdr. R. A. Yonge, Mr. and  
Mrs. O. J. Purser, Mr. H. C.  
Maller, Miss H. Ayack, Mr. and  
Mrs. H. E. Omerod, Mr. and Mrs.  
W. Shovelton, Miss D. Kelley,  
Mr. B. Markham, Rev. B. Paul,  
Mr. J. M. De Weese, Mr. Millar,  
Hallett, Mr. H. W. Hosking,  
Mr. and Mrs. H. Greenall, Mr.  
C. H. Greenall, Master T. H.  
Greenall, Mr. and Mrs. G.  
Dominey, Mrs. L. P. O'Drescoll,  
Master J. O'Drescoll, Mrs. F. W.  
Pearce, Miss M. Pearce, Mr. R.  
Magret, Mrs. L. Jouvet, Master  
R. Jouvet, Miss H. Jouvet,  
Mr. A. B. Dahl, Sir T.  
Scarsbrick, Mr. R. L. Smalley,  
Mr. J. L. Thomson, Mrs. A. A.  
Ewing, Master W. Ewing, Mrs.  
E. C. Allen, Mr. J. A. Murphy,  
Mr. J. Marcus, Mr. J. K. Ireland  
and Mr. W. T. Bowen.

## MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The B. I. s.s. "Talma" leaves  
Amoy for this port this evening, and  
is due here to-morrow, at about  
4 p.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of  
Canada" left Vancouver for Hong  
Kong, via Japan ports and Shang-  
hai, on December 4, and is due here  
on December 23.

The m.v. "Canton" (Swedish East  
Asiatic Co., Ltd.) left Antwerp on  
December 13, 1926, and is due here  
on or about January 21, 1927.

for his coal supplies if the direc-  
tors consented to let him have  
the boats for an indefinite period  
for the transportation of his  
soldiers. This was not accept-  
able to the company as it was  
thought by all that, come what  
may, it was inadvisable and even  
dangerous, to permit the company  
to be drawn into the internal  
conflict and politics, when its  
aims were purely commercial.

In Canton and Swatow, some  
agitators had lodged a ridiculous  
demand that the seized vessels  
should be worked by the seamen  
and that the latter should reap  
for themselves the benefits deriv-  
ing from the business. In other  
words, they proposed that there  
should be a Soviet system. These  
proposals had nothing to do with  
the Canton Government, who are  
doing their best to deal effective-  
ly with the situation. Police  
have been detailed to protect the  
steamers and the company's prop-  
erties. In this connection it is  
interesting to note that the efforts  
of the Seamen's Union to call a  
general strike of employees of  
foreign-owned vessels has utterly  
failed and, from inquiries, it  
is learned beyond all doubt that  
the men are quite satisfied with  
their present treatment and will  
not listen to mischief-makers and  
agitators. They have, we are  
told on good authority, learned  
a lesson from former strikes that  
they cannot afford to go on strike  
again and, incidentally, go with  
empty stomachs in order to en-  
rich a few unscrupulous per-  
sons.—"Shipping and Engineer-  
ing."

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the goods have left the Godowns,  
and all goods remaining undeliver-  
ed after the 20th December, 1926,  
will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged  
goods are to be left in the Godown,  
where they will be examined by  
Messrs. Anderson & Ashe on the  
18th December, 1926, at 10 a.m.

All claims must reach us before  
the 23rd December, 1926, or they  
will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be  
effected.

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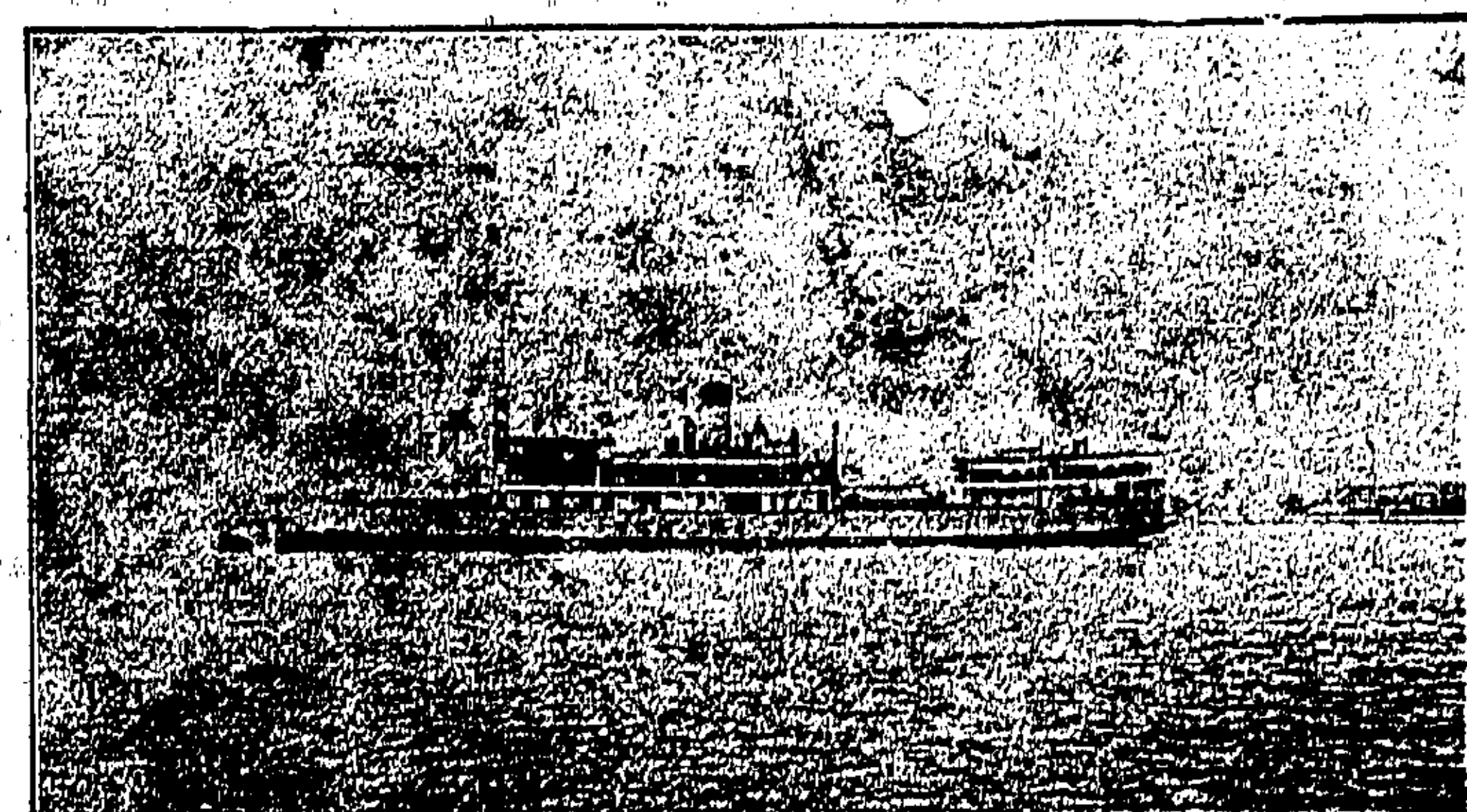
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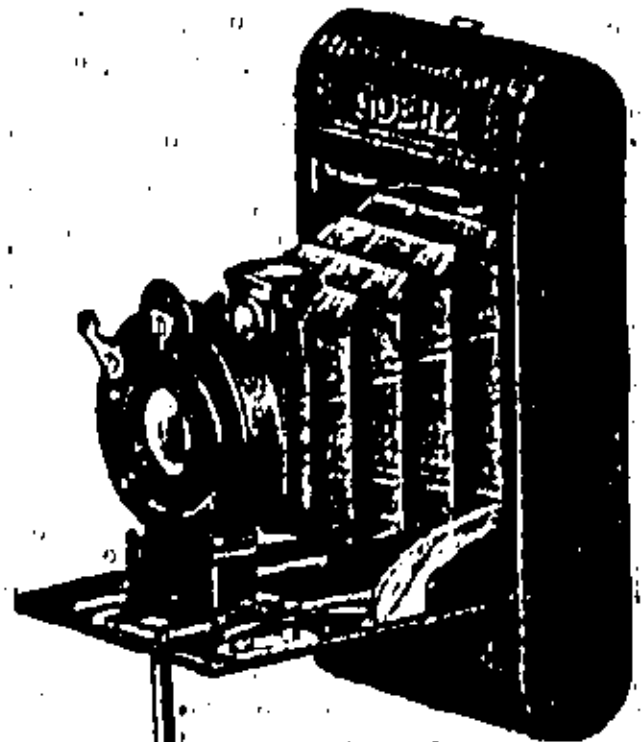
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**LAW AND ORDER IN  
CANTON.**

The "Canton Gazette" announces that "a new peace and order campaign is on in Canton," a Political Council order and a telegram from General Chang Kai-shek calling for strict enforcement of the laws of arrest. "The new Commissioner of Public Safety has issued instructions to stop all street rows, to institute careful patrol of the city and inspect incoming and outgoing junks and steamers."

Although the motives behind this new "peace and order campaign" are largely ones of military necessity—the urgent need of guarding "the home front" as it was called in the great war—none the less we welcome the movement not only for the actual good it will do in Canton but also for the evidence it will give of the Nationalist authorities' ability to preserve order in their principal stronghold.

That such evidence is badly needed requires no emphasis, for the Nationalist Government cannot hope to receive recognition from the Powers until it is able to point to a record proving good order to be its first wish and care. The "Canton Gazette" in one part of its article does not seem to think that the new campaign is really needed, the situation in regard to Labour in Canton being unchanged: "We have here a well-organised, forward-looking labour class which under the sympathetic rule of the Kuomintang has been able to secure some relief from the misery and poverty Chinese labour has endured so long."

Yet in another part of the article the "Canton Gazette" mentions street fights—which it describes as "merely guild rows"—robbers and bandits (the latter "in large part a bad hangover from debauchery of the past.")

Were a few "guild rows" and robberies the only troubles in Canton the new "peace and order campaign" would not be needed; but we know that there are other troubles a great deal more serious. The new "peace and order campaign" is not only needed in Canton, but needed urgently, and we hope that while at present it is directed principally at preserving essential services, it will soon be extended in all directions, so that Canton may be able to present the world with a clean record and so remove one of the chief barriers to recognition.

**The King's Speech.**

The King's speeches, both at the opening and the prorogation of Parliament, are His Majesty's in name only. They are drawn up by the Cabinet and represent the views of the Party in office. The King's speech, read at the prorogation of Parliament yesterday, is eminently Conservative. It refers to nothing of a sensational character, and, beyond a reference to China—a reference which is significant, to say the very least—it is confined to domestic and Imperial problems. Some reference to the forthcoming visit of the Duke and Duchess of York to Australasia was not unexpected, while reference to the Imperial Conference was, of course, a foregone conclusion. After dealing with the Government's solicitude and sympathy for the "vast majority" of the Chinese people whose aspirations are for settled conditions, for a new era of prosperity, and for friendly relations with the foreign Powers, "His Majesty emphasises the seriousness of the coal imbroglio and expresses the hope that a special solution will be found. With regard to the question of housing, mention is made as to the continuance in improvement in this direction, and we are told that more new houses were completed than in any previous year. The passage of the Electricity Bill is also referred to, but this great national undertaking is as yet in its infancy, and little comment is justified at this juncture. The present Administration, having just completed the second year of the present Parliament, may look back upon a period of general progress in more directions than one. The

Labourites and others opposed to the Government will, not unnaturally, say that the strike was a serious blemish upon the fair name of the Mother of Parliaments, but history may yet prove that the great industrial upheaval did more good than harm, for it may prove a real lesson to those who think, or thought, that so-called government by the proletariat will ever succeed in England. With international affairs in a better condition than they have been for several years, it may be hoped that the Government, with its large majority, may continue to place on the statute book some useful measures which will help to ameliorate the conditions of the people, restore confidence, and help towards the speedy return to the days of trade activity and commercial prosperity.

**Cruel and Callous.**

"The cruel and callous policy of the Communists to promote industrial unrest and drive the workers in sheer despair into joining the revolutionaries must be stopped." This firm declaration has been made by the British Prime Minister. It is the writing on the wall for the Communists who have been honeycombing Trade Unionism, ousting moderate officials, and spreading pernicious doctrines amongst the rank and file. Time was when it would have been regarded as heresy for a Conservative Prime Minister to ally himself with the cause of Trade Unionism. Now, says Mr. Baldwin, "we must strengthen and protect Trade Unionism and make it a real industrial organisation which, as representative of the workers, can voice their legitimate grievances and meet employers without out suspicion or sinister purpose behind its arguments." That is a declaration worthy of a statesman. It gives due recognition to Trade Unionism; it admits that Trade Unionists have legitimate grievances; it implies that even a Conservative Government will see fair play between master and man. But Trade Unionism must be protected from the cruel and callous policy of the Communists, who are bent on undermining the whole fabric of constitutional law and order. Any harm wrought to Trade Unionism cannot but be reflected on the nation. That has been proven up to the hilt both at Home and in Australia. Nearer Hong Kong we have had bitter experience of the dominance of Communists over Trade Unions. The British Prime Minister's declaration should do much to break down the barriers of distrust and suspicion between the Government and Trade Unionists. The menace to Trade Unionism is real. But the Government is ready to help Trade Unionists to eliminate that menace. It assuredly marks a great advance in the industrial life of Great Britain!

**A CASE REHEARD.****EVIDENCE IN A DIFFERENT LIGHT.****SENTENCES REVISED.**

The case in which three rich coolies were sent to jail for two months by Major Willson at the Central Magistracy last Saturday, again came before the Court yesterday afternoon.

It will be recalled that, on the application of Mr. M. K. Lo, his Worship, on Tuesday afternoon, agreed to grant a rehearing of the case.

Mr. Lo, at the commencement of yesterday's hearing, said that, in order to save time, he would accept the evidence given last Saturday. Any new evidence would come out in the course of his cross examination. His Worship concurred.

Recalled, the complainant said that the 3rd defendant had been discharged the day before, he, the witness, was engaged.

The employer of both men said that the 3rd defendant had said nothing when informed that his services were no longer required.

Mr. Lo argued that the Ordinance as regards intimidation did not apply. It was a Chinese custom for the incoming man to pay \$3 to the man whose place he had taken. In this case, it was clear that, in asking for the money, the defendant had no desire to regain his position. The complainant, upon whom laid the onus of proof, had not proved intimidation.

**CORRESPONDENCE.****THE BOY SCOUTS.**

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")  
Sir—Your tribute to the Boy Scout Movement and support of the appeal made by His Excellency the Governor and other speakers at yesterday's meeting, will, I venture to think, be generally welcomed.

I write, not as one actually associated with the Movement in any way, but as one who has taken, during the past few years, something more than a passing interest in what, I believe, is one of the greatest forces at work in the world to-day.

To many, perhaps to most, before the Great War, scouting may have appeared something like playing at soldiers, whereas there was really nothing military in the organisation from top to bottom. Such elementary drill as the boys practised was merely similar in character and purpose to that which children were taught at school to enable them to move in numbers when necessary without confusion or delay, and the idea of compulsory discipline, without which even the German army itself would have been a helpless mob, was so foreign as to be almost antagonistic to the first principles of Scouting.

In none of the ten laws which held 250,000 Scouts together at the outbreak of War as an active association in full working order was there a single "must" or "shall." Indeed, even to call them laws was almost a misuse of the word, for each was a mere statement of what a Scout is or what a Scout does, with no mention of anything which a Scout was obliged to do or even was expected to do. Law 3, "A Scout's duty is to be useful and to help others," comes nearer than any other to an ordinance; but Law 8, "A Scout smiles and whistles under all difficulties," is the sheet anchor of the movement. The title of "Scouts" is but one layer of the sugar-coating on the wholesome pill of moral training, others being the picturesque uniform, the numerous badges and self-government.

I too, Sir, would like to see the residents of Hong Kong take something more than an academic interest in the Boy Scout Movement. There are many who will turn out on Empire Day and admire the boys on parade, but surely the Movement is worthy of something more? Why then do so many people look on? If the Movement lacked the support of the authorities it would be a different matter. As it is, we find the King, the Duke of Connaught and the Prince of Wales keenly interested in its work, whilst in our own small community here, we find His Excellency the Governor and some of our most prominent local residents actively interested in every aspect of the Movement. Surely it is time that some of the more leisured should "sit up and take notice?"

I am, Sir,  
Yours, etc.,  
JONIDES.  
Hong Kong, Dec. 15, 1926.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")  
Sir—Your timely reference to the Boy Scouts will, I think, meet with widespread approval.

No one can question the wisdom of Governments that view the boys' efforts with sympathy, or of kings who allow their sons to wear the levelling uniform of the Scouts; for assuredly to what exalted class the boy may be privileged to belong, the Scout Promise, and Law, faithfully observed, levels him up, not down. That great statesman, Lord Rosebery once said:—

"If I were to form the highest ideal for my country, it would be this: that it should be a nation of which the manhood was exclusively composed of men who had been, or were, Boy Scouts and were trained in the Boy Scout theory. Such a nation would be the honour of mankind. It would be the greatest moral force the world has ever known."

As you so aptly remark, Sir, it is to be hoped that His Excellency's words will not fall on deaf ears. In supporting the Boy Scout Movement, you are, indeed, rendering a public service.

I am, Sir,  
Yours, etc.,  
GALLOVIAN.  
Hong Kong, Dec. 15, 1926.

Word has been received from Peking of the arrival there of Mr. Robert H. Powers and Mr. J. Boehringer, both of whom were engaged in newspaper work in Shanghai. The two, who are students of the University of Michigan, and who are working their way around the world, expect to pass through Russia on their way to Europe.

**FOG CONFUSION.**

(Continued from page 1.)

managed to make the twists and turns in the dense fog. The s.s. "San Nam Ho" from Kongmoon arrived yesterday about 1 p.m., nearly 12 hours behind her time. Ocean-going tonnage also had to "feel" their way in and out of the harbour.

**Launch Collision.**  
Yesterday morning there was a collision between the Asiatic Petroleum Co.'s launch "Gretchen" and the Socony launch "Standard" near the Kowloon Naval Yard, the former sinking off the Yumati typhoon shelter.

It is reported that the "Standard" struck the "Gretchen" head on. The latter tilted so rapidly that it was not possible to run her on to shallow water but the crew was taken off. The "Standard" is also believed to have suffered some damage. Salvage operations will be put in hand immediately.

**BANK APPEALS.****APPLICATION FIXED FOR TO-MORROW.****MUTILATED NOTE CASE.**

To-morrow afternoon, the Chief Justice (Sir H. C. Gollan) and the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Wood) will hear an application by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., on behalf of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, for leave to appeal against the decision of the Puisne Judge in respect of the mutilated bank note case.

[His Honour held in his judgment on Monday that the Bank was liable for payment of \$500 on production of a bank note of that denomination, even though it was in pieces and several parts were missing, the grounds for his decision being that so long as it was proved to the satisfaction of the court that the missing pieces were destroyed and could not be produced to the Bank later as a demand for another payment, the Bank was liable.]

**BROADCASTING.****POSSIBLE DEVELOPMENT LOCALLY.****CAPTAIN MILES' LECTURE.**

Will Hong Kong in the near future be in a position to listen-in to an Empire broadcast during the after-dinner hour?

Capt. W. G. H. Miles, R.N., of Stonecutter's wireless station thinks it will and he backs up his theory with his own practical experience. Lecturing at the Helena May Institute yesterday on "Wireless Telegraphy and Telephony" he said that every night he had a chat with his friend, Mr. Gerald Marcus, the well-known wireless amateur of Catherham.

The future development of wireless here, in the lecturer's opinion, depended on the development of short wave broadcasting within the Empire and the establishing of a central receiving station to re-broadcast on waves easier for amateurs to handle.

The wide field covered by Stonecutters in regard to broadcasting was also the subject of reference by the lecturer who read messages from radio enthusiasts all over the world who had received Stonecutter's station. The receivers were situated in England, Ireland, Italy, South Africa, Australia, Brazil, Chile, California and New Zealand.

**Future Of Wireless.**  
As regards the future of broadcasting, the lecturer said he thought it would assume more and more an international aspect, particularly with the application to it of short wave. Such communications made for better understanding and the improved methods of interchanging ideas might help in some small degree to educate the races of the earth to understand each other better. Some racial hatreds were inherent in national character, others were due to stupid misunderstandings and he looked to wireless to help towards that comity of nations that was so badly needed at the present day.

The lecturer, in the course of his remarks, dealt in an interesting manner with the theory of wireless and the working of beam stations which had recently created a good deal of interest.

Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Miskin, of Deal, who recently celebrated the 70th anniversary of their wedding, received a congratulatory message from the King and Queen.

"If you are too busy to bring your friend to Court, I am too busy to convict," said Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Central Magistracy this morning to the complainant in a case in which a Chinese was charged with stealing a pair of shoes and some clothes. The defendant was discharged.



## LOCAL LANDLORDS.

## Their Position With the Government.

## PAYMENTS ON PROPERTY.

## Rates Refund &amp; Praya East Reclamation.

Decisions by the Government regarding house property in Hong Kong have been criticised by Chinese owners and further developments are to follow.

Such decisions concern two matters (a), the refund of Crown rates on vacant premises and (b) an increase in the charge made to holders of lots fronting on the Praya East reclamation.

The Landlords' Protective Association (comprising Chinese owners) has taken an active part in discussions arising out of these two questions.

An additional charge of \$1 per square foot in the cost of reclaiming land at Praya East has been notified to holders, it is stated, and a meeting of the Association will be held next Tuesday when those concerned are expected to protest.

The Government has been filling in the new land, but the owners of present marine lots will have to bear their respective costs of contribution. The increase of \$1 a square foot is stated to have been only recently announced, after the work had been in progress for years.

**Government Decision.** An announcement was made in the "Government Gazette" of last week to the effect that the temporary refund of rates on empty tenements will be discontinued after the fourth quarter, i.e., from January 1, 1927.

On representations of landlords, made through the two Chinese members of the legislative Council, the Government decided several months ago to accord relief to house owners.

Previously a house had to be wholly empty and rates paid into the Treasury during the first month of each quarter, before a refund was allowed, and the vacancy had to extend over the whole of a month.

The temporary relief began in the second quarter of the year and was made retrospective as from January 1, 1926.

**Developments Explained.** On houses wholly empty, the refund was as before. Where there was one flat vacant, there was no refund. For two flats empty, owners got back the rates on one; and on three (say, out of four) flats, they applied for repayment of rates on two—all this being contingent on payment of the full quarter's rates in advance (i.e., during the first month of that quarter).

Landlords maintain that the majority were not able to avail themselves of the benefit for the first quarter as few of them had paid in advance. The second quarter was also too far gone for them to be able to pay in time to apply for refund. There was no difficulty about the third quarter but then the Government intimated that the measure would not extend to the fourth (the present quarter).

Steps were taken and meetings held, and the Government consented to continuing the refund for the fourth quarter, as notified last week.

This means that landlords who paid in October their rates for the last quarter will be able to obtain refunds on empty flats, according to the scale explained by H.E. the Governor when the measure was first announced.

**House Owners' Views.** On inquiry from Mr. Ip Lan-chuen, secretary of the Landlords' Protective Association, the "China Mail" learns that local property owners are waiting to see if there is any material improvement in the demand for houses, before asking the Government for further relief for next year.

Mr. Ip (who is also Secretary to the Hong Kong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce) expressed his personal opinion that, emphatically, the property market had not yet recovered to normal, even though the Rents Restriction Ordinance has lapsed since July 1.

A good many landlords hold the view that refund of rates on each flat, as distinct from whole houses, should be made permanent by legislation so as not to inflict what, in their opinion, are hardships on owners with one or more flats of a house lying idle.

**What the Experts Say.** A leading property broker told a "China Mail" reporter that rents had increased, on an average, 25 per cent. on houses (previously under the Ordinance) in the central district. He added that more houses had been completed in the outer parts of the city and outlying districts. The process of moving around brought

## UNION CHURCH.

## KOWLOON BRANCH YEARS' WORK.

## ANNUAL MEETING.

The Rev. J. Horace Johnston, supported by the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald, presided over the annual meeting yesterday of the Union Church, Kowloon.

The report, presented by Mr. D. J. Purves, stated that during the past year, although work had been good, there was a falling away of attendance.

Improvements in the church and properties generally were referred to as the social activities, regret being expressed that bathing places had had to be abandoned owing to high costs and the trouble developing from the strike and boycott.

**Financial Position.** Dealing with finances, the report stated that it had been decided to reduce the subsidy from the Mother Church from \$100 to \$75 a month. So that the Finance Committee for the forthcoming year would not be handicapped, it was decided to fix the annual subscription at \$15. (A resolution to this effect was carried later).

Three marriages were celebrated during the year and 13 baptisms were administered.

The balance sheet, presented by Mr. Warren, showed an income of \$5,887, with minister's stipend and house allowance \$4,660, and sundry items which left a balance at the bank of \$31.79 on December 1.

The report and balance sheet were unanimously adopted, after which the election of officers was carried out. This resulted as follows:

Secretary, Mr. Chapman; Treasurer, Mr. D. P. Warren; Committee, Messrs. Lark, A. McKelzie, Nelson, Forsyth, Laurence and Miss Farrell, and Messrs. Arnott, Duncan, Purves, Hyde, Gow, Trelliss, Probert and Ferguson.

**Pastor's Address.** The Rev. Horace Johnston addressed the meeting, referring to the disturbing influence which conditions in China during the past year had had in the sphere of the church as well as elsewhere.

After reviewing the activities of the church and to the generous manner in which the congregation had responded, the speaker referred to a resolve which he had made that if the congregation enabled the treasurer to close the year without a deficit he would see to it that the treasurer began the year with a good balance in hand. It was therefore with the greatest pleasure that he passed over to him a cheque for \$300 towards the funds of the Church as a mark of his warm appreciation of his services and the liberality of his people.

In conclusion, the Pastor spoke of the work apart from the Church with which he had been engaged in his spare time, stating that he gave this explanation in order that his congregation might be patient with him.

**The Sunday School.** The Sunday School Report was presented by Mr. W. R. Forsyth, who stated that at the close of the winter session in June there were 52 children attending, which compared very favourably with the figures for the previous year.

An item of interest was that the summer treat to Island Bay cost exactly the sum which was drawn from sale of tickets.

The Revd. Mr. Kirk Macdonald also addressed the meeting.

about by rent decontrol has meant a good many moving out from the heart of the city, but a tendency still exists for rents on new blocks to be reduced so as to attract new tenants.

A European gentleman who is largely interested in Hong Kong development thinks that rentals on foreign residential property on the Kowloon side are still below the normal level, owing to competition between owners of "new" houses who wish to attract tenants, and owners of "old" houses who prefer to counter a month's notice from the occupant by an offer to make a reduction. "A landlord feels," explained the gentleman, "that once an old tenant goes it will be very difficult to find another."

**Landlords' New Officials.** The following are the new officials elected by the Landlords' Protective Association: President—Mr. T. N. Chau; Vice-President—Mr. Li Jow-son.

Treasurer—Mr. Ma Chui-chiu. Assistant treasurer—Mr. Tang Shiu-kin.

Secretary—Mr. Ip Lan-chuen. Assistant secretary—Mr. Li Hoi-tung.

Honorary consulting adviser—Mr. Li Yau-chuen.

Legal adviser—Mr. M. K. Lo.

Architectural advisers—Mr. Li Tak-chung, Mr. Siu Hoi-ming and Mr. Wong Kam-pui.

## TO-DAY'S WEDDING.

## UNION CHURCH CEREMONY.

MISS M. E. GAINES AND MR. J. M. MCBRIDE.

Union Church, Kennedy Road, was the scene of a pretty wedding this afternoon, when Miss Margaret Elizabeth Gaines, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Gaines, of 387 Nathan Road, Kowloon, was married to Mr. John Murray McBride, youngest son of the late Mr. William McBride and Mrs. McBride, of Greenock, Scotland.

The Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald officiated. The bride, who entered the church on the arm of her father by whom she was given away, was attired in a dress of white crepe marocain trimmed with veil and wreath of orange blossom and carried a rose bouquet.

Miss Betty Baker and Miss Phyllis Ponsford were bridesmaids, their dresses being of pale blue crepe de chine trimmed with gold lace, gold lace Dutch caps, and shoes to match. Their bouquets were of yellow chrysanthemums.

The bride's mother wore a grey marocain frock and black hat.

Mr. James Petrie was best man.

After a reception at the Hong Kong Hotel (roof garden), the bride and bridegroom are to leave for their honeymoon at Repulse Bay and Macao, the bride's travelling dress being a tan tann jumper suit, embroidered with brown braid; brown hat and fox fur.

The bride's gift to the bridegroom was a leather suit-case, and that of the bridegroom to the bride, a fox fur.

## LIST OF PRESENTS.

The list of presents is as follows:—

Father and Mother—household linen; Mr. S. Mitchell—electric coffee percolator; Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Shaw and family—entree dish; Mr. and Mrs. F. Glover—silver condiment set; Mr. P. Plage—biscuit barrel; Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Clark—jam dish; Messrs. Lane, Crawford's staff—silver tea service; Mr. Hillier and Mr. Taylor—case of nut crackers; Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Roberts—crystal rose bowl; Mr. R. Matthews—salad bowl and servers; Mr. and Mrs. R. Keown—silver toast-rack and butter dish; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Whitely—linen tea cloth; Mr. and Mrs. S. White—china; Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Hamilton—electric kettle.

Madame Cousins—silver fish servers; Mr. E. Ponsford—silver condiment set; Mr. F. E. Wilkens—silver epergne; Mr. and Mrs. J. Mitchell—set of blackwood tea-pots; Mr. and Mrs. S. Baker—cheque; Mr. and Mrs. T. Brun—salad bowl and servers.

China Sugar Refinery staff—caneen of cutlery; Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Forbes and Mr. S. Goldenberg—blackwood lampstand and shades; Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Henderson—silver condiment set; Mr. and Mrs. James Kinnaird—silver fruit dish; Miss Baker—linen tea cloth and serviettes.

Managing Directors, Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd.—silver biscuit box; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Dickie—electric table lamp; Mr. and Mrs. V. Walker—silver photo frame; Mr. F. Pavitt—tea set; Mr. and Mrs. A. Ponsford—fish knives and forks; Mr. A. Webster—cheque; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Kinnaird—silver sweet dishes; Mr. and Mrs. R. Campbell—case of fish knives and forks; Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Purves—silver salt-cellar; Mr. and Mrs. N. Watson—case of silver tea knives; Mr. and Mrs. H. M. McTavish—electric boiler; Miss Ponsford—silver serviette rings; Mr. and Mrs. W. Woods—coffee cups;

Capt. D. G. Burleigh—silver cake basket; Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Powell—ice bucket and tongs; Mr. and Mrs. H. Middleton and family—fish knives and forks; Mr. and Mrs. V. Chittenden—fruit dish; Mr. A. Duncan—silver flower vases; Mr. J. Rodger—crystal ice cream glasses and spoons; Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Smith—cream jug and sugar basin; Mr. H. Hampton—blackwood opium stool; Mr. and Mrs. E. Hanlin—pair of pictures; Mr. J. Ballock—silver calendar; Mr. Wing Nam—silver coffee spoons; Mr. J. Petrie—silver and blackwood tea tray; Mr. W. Brown—silver sweet dishes.

The new building of the Tokyo Higher Music Academy constructed in the "Music Village" at Kunitachi, a suburb of Tokyo, was formally opened on November 23.

The new building is a two-storey structure, occupying a total floor space of approximately 3,200 square feet.

## INDUSTRIAL AFFAIRS.

## DEBATE IN HOUSE OF LORDS.

## SEAMEN AND POLITICS.

Rugby, Dec. 15.

The House of Lords last night discussed industrial peace, on a motion of Lord Wier, who advocated a round-table conference of employers and workers for unfettered discussion of the present condition of trade, with a view of restoring their successful cooperation to secure a revival.

Lord Cecil for the Government welcomed the proposal, and while admitting that the distrust which lay at the root of the evil must be eliminated, he declared the sentiment of partnership could only be created by giving the workmen not only a share in profits or even in capital but a voice in the general direction of industries.

The end of the coal stoppage removes the disqualification under which miners unemployed through a trade dispute were excluded from unemployment benefits, and most of the men not yet re-engaged are now on the register.

This increase is reflected in the unemployment returns for last week, which showed a total of 1,506,000 unemployed, representing over 10,000 increase on the previous week.

A ballot of the National Union of Seamen, which has been proceeding for three months, resulted in an overwhelming majority for dissociating their organisation from all political affiliations. The Union will therefore sever its association with the Labour Party.—British Wireless Service.

## LEAGUE'S FUTURE.

## SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN'S CONFIDENCE.

Rugby, Dec. 15.

At a dinner in the honour, by the Anglo-Batavian Society of London last night, Sir Austen Chamberlain said he had just returned from the League Council, the enlargement of which had caused doubts in so many quarters, feeling assured that it would work in the same spirit of comradeship, frankness and peace that came to inspire the Council which had hitherto been almost unchanged since the League's constitution. He came back from each meeting of the Council with increased confidence in what the League was and would become if it were wisely inspired.

Sir Austen Chamberlain referred to the closely interwoven history of the Netherlands and Britain, and saw in their friendship, unimpaired for the last hundred years, a lesson to other nations that enmity was not immortal. The bitter sacrifices which the great war had involved should induce them, as difficulties arose, to seek a solution by peaceful means.

**PRIVATE.** The Pacific health conference has resolved that its proceedings shall be private as the respective governments must first be informed of the deliberations.—Reuter.

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## COAL OUTPUT.

## NEARLY ANOTHER MILLION TONS MORE.

London, Dec. 15.

The output of the coal mines of Great Britain during the week ended December 4 was 3,226,000 tons by 78,000 miners.

The first official returns since the general resumption of work in the coalfields issued on December 8 showed that the output of coal for the week ended November 27, was 2,324,000 tons by 455,000 men as compared with 6,097,000 tons before the stoppage for the week ended May 1.

**Unemployment Returns.** Rugby, Dec. 15.

The end of the coal stoppage now removes the disqualification under which miners unemployed through the trade dispute, were excluded from the unemployment benefit and most of the men not yet re-engaged are now on the register.

This increase is reflected in the unemployment returns for the last week, which showed a total of 1,500,000 unemployed, representing over 10,000 of an increase on the previous week.—British Wireless Service.

## AFGHAN WISHES.

## NEW MINISTER AND FRANCE.

The new Afghan Minister Sardar Alghulam Nabi Khan, presenting his credentials to the President, M. Doumergue, stated that France was an enlightened and friendly protector of independent free nations. He said he was happy to take this solemn opportunity to affirm the deep and sincere desire to maintain and tighten the relations of friendship between France and Afghanistan. He concluded by expressing wishes for France's grandeur and prosperity.—Havna.

## STEAMER FOUNDERS.

## TWENTY-TWO PEOPLE DROWNED.

Copenhagen, Dec. 15.

Twenty-two people were drowned through the foundering of the steamer "Balholm," including the captain's wife and four Icelandic passengers.—Reuter.

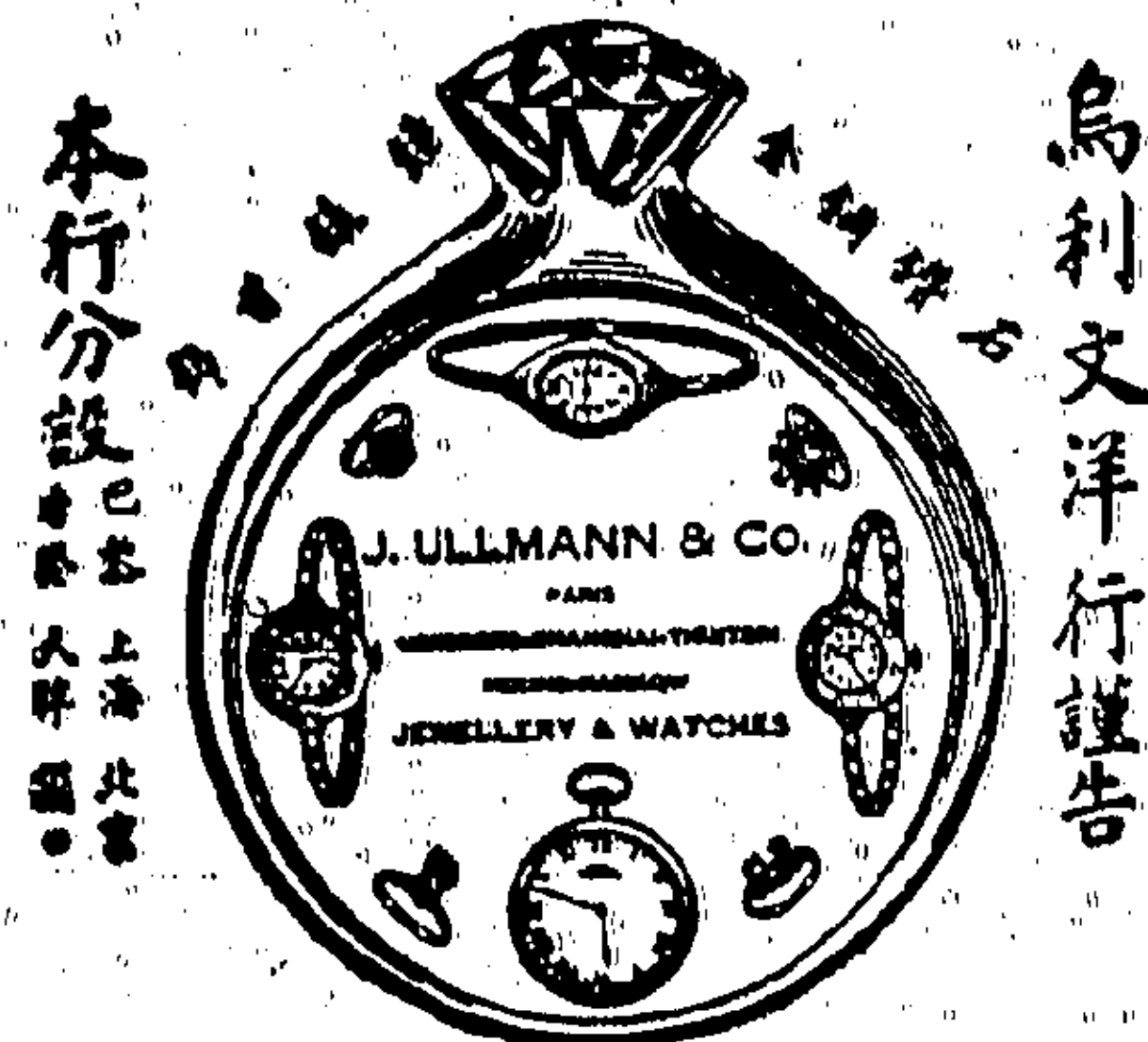
## TRAM STRIKE.

## 3,500 MEN AFFECTED IN TOKYO.

Tokyo, Dec. 9.—Indignant at the attitude of the Electricity Bureau of the Tokyo Municipal Council, to which the operatives of the Municipal Tramways presented several demands for better treatment a few days ago, the workmen at various factories of the Bureau, 3,500 men in number, went on strike today. The Municipal authorities rejected the demands this afternoon, and are taking up a very strong attitude. They are planning to mobilize students at the Aoyama Training School as motor-men, and to apply to the Yamawaki and the Jissen Girls' High Schools as conductors, in order to provide against emergency.—Toho.

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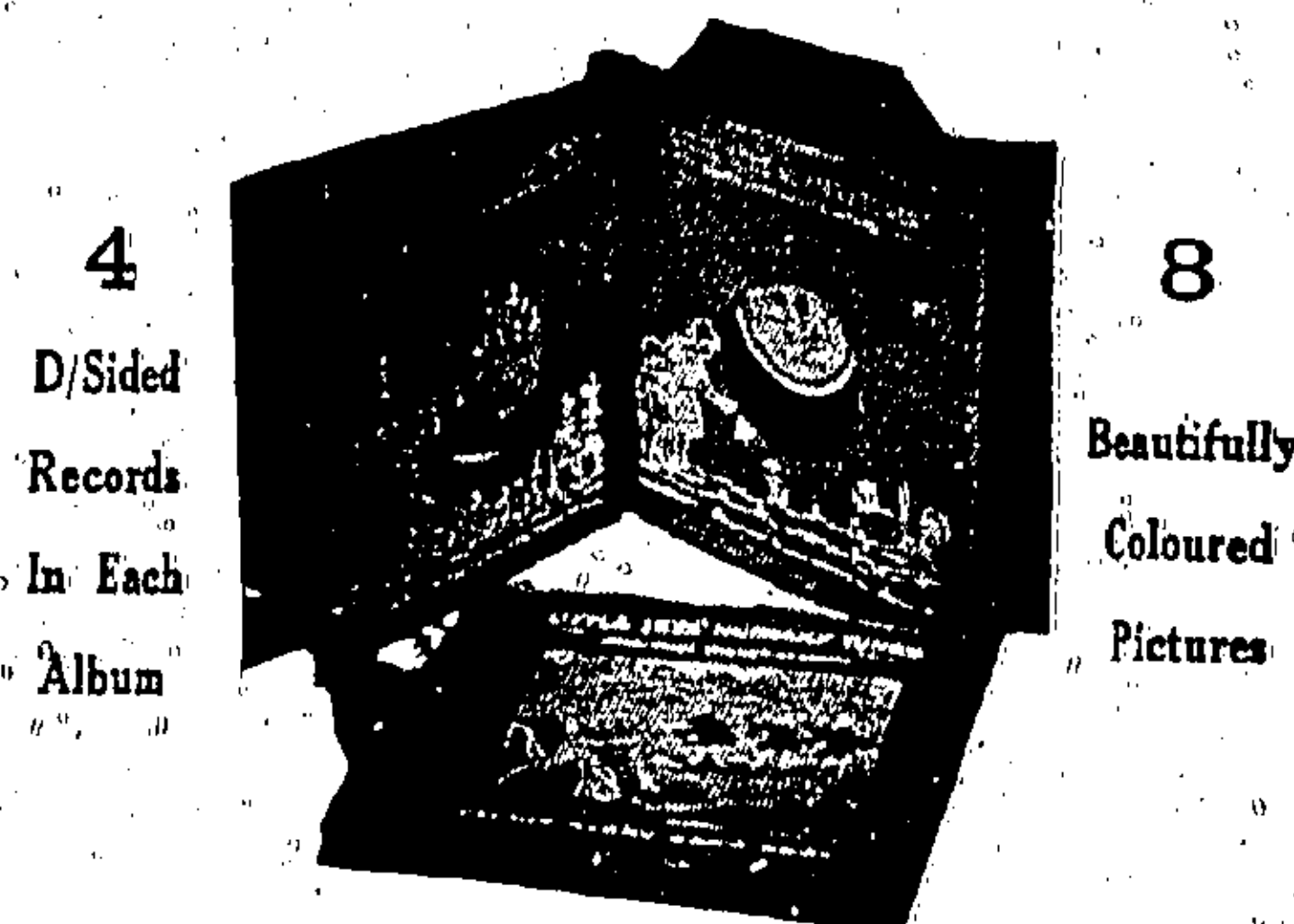


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1 pt. Peppermint G.F.	1 qt. Amontillado Sherry
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## A WEEK'S PAPERS IN ONE.

### OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

Each week brings increasing interest in the China situation. Not only as developments affect Hong Kong, but from the broadest view, events are recorded daily for the information of all concerned.

Such reports are faithfully reproduced in the "Overland China Mail," with explanations, footnotes, editorial comment where necessary, and articles to supplement the news. The sending of a copy of this week's number will be highly appreciated by friends abroad as it contains what is essentially needed to assist the folks at home in following the situation.

On strictly "China topics" there are such items as the trend of the Nationalist campaign, the bank strike at Canton, the labour unions' tyranny. The last includes a report of steps by the Southern Government to curb the power of the workers, revealing a new policy by the Kuomintang.

Concerning non-Chinese are such subjects as the Foreign Loans to China, the Tientsin arrests, the plight of missionaries among the war horrors of Sianfu.

Each day's proceedings in the "Sunning" piracy trial are included, as are the reports of the "Lienshing disaster."

In addition will be found all the local news, the critique of the "Pirates of Penzance" by the Philharmonic Society, important Court cases.

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The Tientsin mail, via Siberia, of October 14, reached London in the notably quick time of fifteen days.

December 5 was the 150th anniversary of the foundation of the famous academic fraternity of Phi Kappa, the oldest organisation of its kind in the United States.

It is not without its significance that the R.M.S. "Empress of Asia," which arrived in Shanghai on Nov. 28, from Canada brought about 800 Chinese destined for South China.

The first round-the-world party promoted by the Japan World Tour Society left Tokyo on November 23 for Europe. The party is composed of 10 Japanese, most of them merchants, who intend to cross Siberia. The tour costs each member £2,000.

Commenting on the powers of the proposed League Control Commission, the Paris "Matin" says that any continuing control after the dissolution of the Inter-Allied Military Commission does not conform with the Peace Treaty, which prescribes only occasional inspection if and when necessary arises.

As the result of a collision which occurred at the junction of Low Hill Road and New Keppel Road, Singapore, Mr. Horne, of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, is at present an inmate of the General Hospital. He was riding his A.S. motor-cycle at the time when he collided with a lorry. The cycle was smashed and Mr. Horne sustained cuts on his head and legs.

In mentioning relief measures being taken in Peking for the poor, reference must be made to the various foreign organisations, notably the Salvation Army, which annually operates soup kitchens, giving sustenance to a great many destitute folk, says the "Shanghai Times" correspondent. That these organisations also have a destitute foreigner problem to deal with was tragically indicated a few nights ago when a thick clad Russian who had crawled into a closed motor car parked in front of a foreign garage was found frozen to death.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Chen Sih-chang, Chief Military Judge of Marshal Su's Army, left Shanghai for Sungkian on December 4.

Dr. V. K. Ting, Director of the Wooning-Shanghai Special Administrative Area, returned to Shanghai on December 4 from Nanking.

Mr. A. W. Shovelton (the local dental surgeon) will be missed from local golfing circles as he was a passenger on the Homeward s.s. "Hector" which left Hong Kong yesterday.

Passengers on the Homeward bound "Hector" from Hong Kong yesterday included the Rev. Brother Paul, Mrs. J. Dewar, Mr. B. Markham, Mr. A. A. Ewing, Mrs. E. C. Alley, Mr. J. A. Murphy, Mr. J. Marcus and Mr. W. T. Bowen.

The American students have departed from Bangkok for Singapore. The cost of their visit to the Siamese Government and the charterers amounts to about 65,000, over 15,000 of which was spent on hired motor-cars during the students' three-days' strenuous programme.

Mr. W. Hamilton, the headmaster of the Penang Free School, who is retiring, was presented with an address from the masters and boys of the school. The day before Mr. Hamilton received by cable the sad news of the death of his wife in Ireland, where he proposed to settle down on retirement.

Mr. and Mrs. F. X. d'Almada e Castro and Miss B. d'Almada e Castro arrived in Hong Kong yesterday from London on board the N.Y.K. "Fushimi Maru." Other passengers for this port included Dr. D. Buencumín, Mr. M. J. Marquez, Mr. J. Oquimena, Mr. A. Pablo and Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Sneddon.

Lt.-Col. R. A. Yonge, R.N., left Hong Kong yesterday for Home by the "Hector" after his period of service out here. He was a very popular officer on the China Station and took great interest in sports and recreation. As a tennis umpire his decisions were always respected and at the last Interport cricket match with Shanghai, his umpiring was of the best. The Hong Kong Cricket Club loses a strong supporter in Commander Yonge.

A Reuter cable from London today states that Parliament has adjourned until February 8.

On Wednesday, the only case of notifiable disease reported was one of enteric fever (typhoid), the patient being a Chinese from the city district.

Beer, wines and spirits, to be put up in suitable lots, will be sold by Messrs. Lamert Bros. at their Duddell Street sales rooms at 3.30 p.m. next Monday.

The Dunlop calendar for 1927 is a painting of Westminster Bridge, London, looking towards the House of Commons. The time is evening and the lights of Big Ben, the boats and the traffic make a pretty scene.

Chang Kai-shek is reported to have telegraphed to Li Chung-yan and Fan Shek-sang ordering them to attack Kwichow and Yunnan in order to bring the two provinces under the control of the Nationalist Government.

Bishop Valorta will bless the new Home of the Little Sisters of the poor at Ngau-shi-wan, Kowloon City (for the aged poor of the Colony) on Sunday at 3 p.m. The Little Sisters will welcome the attendance of their supporters on this occasion.

Just over 80 recruits were enrolled at Singapore on December 8, the Volunteer Corps' recruiting day. This is the largest number that has been recruited in one day for the last four years. The Machine Gun Platoon drew the best total, 17, the Scottish Company being next with 15, and the S.R.E. (V.) and S.R.A. (V.) secured 14 and 10 each respectively.

There was a full house yesterday afternoon for the matinee of the "Pirates of Penzance" given by the Philharmonic Society in the Theatre Royal. The performance again excited considerable enthusiasm, everyone enjoying themselves immensely. There will be another performance to-morrow evening, and the concluding presentation will take place on Saturday night.

Mr. H. D. Sharpin, of the Hong Kong Bank, has returned to Singapore from Home leave.

Mrs. P. H. Holyoak and Miss Joyce Holyoak left for Home yesterday on the Blue Funnel Line "Hector."

Mr. Eugene Chen is reported to have sent Chou Tze-lik to Berlin to attend the Third International to announce the foreign policy of the Nationalist Government.

With a bodyguard of 40 soldiers, General Chen, Civil Governor of Chekiang, left Shanghai on December 4 for Hangchow.

Dr. T. Okada, master of the Imperial Japanese Central Meteorological Observatory was a passenger on the "Fushimi Maru," which arrived here yesterday.

General Li Pao-chang, Commander of the Ninth Division of the Marshal's Army, arrived in Shanghai on December 4 from Lunghua and was immediately motored to the military offices on Kung Woo Road Chapel.

Miss Lim Beng-hong, LL.B. (Lond.) barrister-at-law, and her brother, Mr. Lim Khye-seng, who was called to the bar in London on the same day, arrived in Penang by the "Kashmir." It is their intention to practise in Penang.

Sir Tom Talbot Leyland Scarisbrick was a passenger on the "Hector" which left Hong Kong yesterday for the United Kingdom. He was created a Baronet in 1909, has been Mayor of Southampton, and was Liberal M.P. for South Dorset from 1906-10.

The following forthcoming weddings are announced—Mr. James Young, Great Eastern Hotel, to Miss Grace Hoek Tien, No. 122, Balchors Street, Mr. Tam Ying-ki, merchant, No. 118, Des Voeux Road Central, to Miss Au Han-chan, teacher, No. 1, Ying Wa Terrace; Mr. Conway Hong-koh Wong, merchant, No. 29, Elgin Street, top floor, to Miss Dora Margaret She, No. 4, Seymour Terrace.

The son of a Hong Kong resident for years, Mr. Alfred Marie de Lourdes Soares (who was educated at St. Joseph's College and subsequently went to Cambridge) qualified in Constitutional Law in the Michaelmas Examination of students of the Inns of Court, held at Grays Inn Hall, London, by the Council of Legal Education. The father of Mr. Alfred Soares is Mr. Adao M. L. Soares, a former Hong Kong merchant who ran the "Inli" and "Cat" stables of China ponies, which won a good many honours in the local turf. Mr. Alfred is the second son. His elder brother, Mr. Alfred P. M. L. Soares, was a stockbroker, a few years ago and rode successfully as a gentleman rider, winning the Hong Kong Derby of 1923 for the late Sir Paul Chater on Ideal Dahlia.

Drorn, Dec. 15.—The ex-Kaiser is in bed suffering from influenza.—Reuter.

Octavius Roy Cohen, short story writer extraordinary of New York and Atlanta, Georgia, is scheduled to visit Shanghai shortly after the holiday. Mr. Cohen plans to visit the Orient with his wife and mother and the Orient will probably serve as the background for a new series of stories by this author, whose Negro stories, appearing in a national American weekly, have been widely read and are now appearing in book form. Mr. Cohen began his career as a writer a few years ago as reporter on "The Atlanta Constitution."

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## SPORTS SECTION

## HOME SOCCER.

## Scottish F.A. Cup 1st Round.

## RESULT OF THE DRAW.

## English Relays and a Dark Blue Victory.

London, Dec. 15.  
The draw for the 1st round of the Scottish F.A. Cup to be played on Jan. 22, is as follows:—

Edin City v. Albion Rovers.  
Queen's Park v. Inverness Caledonians.  
Thornhill v. East Fife.  
Dykehead v. Montrose.  
Bathgate v. Dunfermline.  
Stenhousemuir v. Partick Thistle.  
Kilmarnock v. Peebles Rovers.  
Helenburgh v. Aberdeen.  
Brechin City v. Vale of Leithen.  
Buckie Thistle v. Fraserburgh.  
East Stirling v. Dumbarton.  
Alloa v. Morton.  
Dundee v. Motherwell.  
Douglas Wanderers v. Clachbank.  
Boness v. Lochgelly United.  
Vale of Leven v. Johnstone.  
Aberbroath Athletic v. Dundee United.

Ayr United v. Aberdeenians.  
Beith v. Huntly.  
Queen of the South (Dumfries) v. Celtic.  
Leith Athletic v. Rangers.  
Cowdenbeath v. Hibernians.  
Clyde v. Hearts.  
Forres Mechanics v. Mid-Annandale.

St. Bernard's v. Vale of Atholl.  
Forfar Athletic v. Raith Rovers.  
St. Mirren v. Arbroath.  
Nithsdale Wanderers v. Arthurlie.  
Broxburn v. Armadale.  
Hamilton v. Stranraer.  
King's Park v. Third Lanark.  
Falkirk v. St. Johnstone.—Reuter.  
St. Mirren (the holders) are drawn at home to Arbroath whom they beat 3-0 in the 2nd round last season after a draw 0-0 (on Arbroath's ground). In the whole of the competition, St. Mirren lost only one goal and scored 14.  
Celtic (runners-up) scored 20 goals to 3 (of which 2 were by St. Mirren). They are now drawn away to Queen of the South who lost in the 1st round last season.

## THE F.A. CUP.

## All Replays Decided in 2nd Round.

London, Dec. 15.

In the 2nd round of the Football Association Cup, replays to-day resulted:—

Brentford 1, Gillingham 0.  
Lincoln 2, Coventry 0.  
Bournemouth 2, Bristol City 0.—Reuter.

The 2nd round is now complete. Brentford will be away to Oldham, Lincoln receive Preston and Bournemouth will be at home to Liverpool.

The draw of the 3rd round on January 8 now stands at:—

Reading v. Manchester United.  
Bristol Rovers v. Portsmouth.  
Fulham v. Chesterfield.  
Barnsley v. Crewe.  
Sheffield Wednesday v. Brighton.  
Lincoln v. Preston North End.  
Darlington v. Rhy.  
Everton v. Poole.  
Hull v. West Bromwich.  
Birmingham v. Manchester City.  
South Shields v. Plymouth.  
Newcastle v. Notts County.  
Southampton v. Norwich.  
Southport v. Blackburn.  
Cardiff v. Aston Villa.  
Burnley v. Grimsby.  
Chelsea v. Luton.  
Carlisle v. Wolverhampton.  
Bournemouth v. Liverpool.  
Walsall v. Corinthians.  
Exeter v. Accrington.  
Clapton Orient v. Port Vale.  
Leeds v. Sunderland.  
Middlesbrough v. Leicester.  
Swansea v. Bury.  
Millwall v. Huddersfield.  
Oldham v. Brentford.  
Sheffield United v. Arsenal.  
Bradford City v. Derby.  
Blackpool v. Bolton.  
West Ham v. Spurs.  
Aston Villa v. Notts Forest.

## DARK BLUES WIN.

## How Cambridge Forwards Missed Chances.

London, Dec. 15.  
Oxford beat Cambridge in the annual inter-varsity soccer match by 1 goal to nil at Chelsea.

The weather was fine and the ground soft. There were 8,000 spectators.

By sound half back play, Cambridge were off best. In the early attacks the Cambridge halves furnished plenty of openings but their forwards were hustled off the ball.

## LOCAL SOCCER.

## LEAGUE AND INTERPORT PRACTICE.

The second Interport practice soccer match was played on the H.K.F.C. ground yesterday between teams as follows:—

Colours: Rodgers (H.K.F.C.); Ng Kam-chuen (Athletic); Lai Yuk-tat (Athletic); Tip Yuk-on (South China); Sims (Kowloon); C. V. Remedios (Recreio); Taylor (H.K.F.C.); Fuertes (Recreio); Leung Wing-tak (South China); Silva (Recreio); Brown (Recreio).

Whites: Avery (H.M.S. "Tamar"); Li Tin-sang (South China); Chan So (South China); Brittain (Police); Hudson (Police); Lam Yuk-ying (Athletic); Cornwall (Police); Ip Kau (Athletic); Gosano (Recreio); McClintock (Scottish Borderers Regt.); Chan Kwong-in (Athletic).

In the first half the Whites played a man short; after Fuertes had given the Colours the lead, Hudson failed to equalise from a penalty. After the interval Gosano came into the Whites' side and equalised before the end. Both custodians were good. Ng Kam-chuen, Sims and Brown did well on the Colours' side while the Whites' middle line was conspicuous for good play.

## Two More Teams.

Two more teams have been selected for the third trial on the Club ground at 4.30 p.m. next Wednesday. Players unable to turn out should notify Mr. W. E. Hollands, telephone C. 8,111. Teams are:—

Colours: Clark (Police); Wheeler (Kowloon); Cayville (Kowloon); Hudson (Police); Sims (Kowloon); Lam Yuk-ying (Chinese Athletic); Cornwall (Police); Fung King-cheung (South China); Orr (Kowloon); Suen Kam-shun (Athletic); Ward (Royal Artillery).

Whites: Lau Hing-cheung (South China); Wynne (Police); Bishop (Hong Kong F.C.); McKelvie (Kowloon); Fitter (R.A.); Wong Shui-wa (Athletic); Brittain (Police); Howard (H.K.F.C.); Gosano (Recreio).

McClintock (Scottish Borderers), Brown (Recreio).

Referee: Mr. Baldwin.

## League II Match.

Three goals down at half-time, Royal Artillery Reserves eventually lost by the odd goal in five to the Scottish Borderers' Reserves in a match yesterday in section A of division II of the Hong Kong Football League. Humphry, Wetherall and Hume were the infantrymen marksmen; Phillips and Sargent scored for the gunners.

The Borderers maintain their unbeaten record in this division.

## SIM SHIELD HOCKEY.

All the scoring in the Sim Shield hockey tie between the Hong Kong C.C. and the Royal Navy yesterday was confined to the first half when each side scored two goals.

Twice did the Navy get the lead but each time the Club drew level. With a team weaker than those of the two previous seasons, the Club did well to share the honours. They had their full share of the game but the forwards were not effective when in front of the opposing goal.

It should be mentioned that the Naval XI was not as strong as those which played the Army twice in this triangular tournament.

Andrew scored first for the Navy; Petric levelled matters; Ling put the Service ahead, and Wheeler rounded off the scoring for the Club.

The Hong Kong C.C. team to meet Lt.-Col. A. S. Cantrell's XI on Saturday (on the Club ground) has been chosen as follows:—A. W. Hayward (captain), A. C. I. Bowker, H. Owen Hughes, H. V. Parker, Major L. J. Lightfoot, J. D. Humphreys, J. A. Summers, G. P. Lammeret, G. R. Vallack, Captain Evers, H. C. Burgess.

The following will represent Civil Service C.C. "A" in a friendly match against H.M.S. "Tamar" on Saturday:—J. H. B. Nihill (captain), H. F. Harper, H. E. Strange, H. F. Westlake, P. O'Neill, C. Sarna, C. R. Spittay, W. P. J. Gorvin, R. C. Wichele, J. S. McLaren, R. Jones.

## FAREWELL MATCH.

## YESTERDAY'S UNIVERSITY CRICKET.

By 120 runs, Mr. H. N. Balhatchet's XI defeated Mr. A. A. Rumjahn's XI in a farewell cricket match on the University ground yesterday afternoon, on the occasion of a farewell to Mr. Balhatchet.

E. Zimmermann made 81 for the winners; and F. Hipstool and B. N. Sudan shared the bowling honours. Scores:—

## Mr. Balhatchet's XI.

D. Commisariat, b. Rumjahn 13  
S. V. Gittens, c. Yeoh, b. Lam 4  
E. Zimmermann, c. and b. Rumjahn 81  
J. L. Youngs, b. Rumjahn 5  
H. N. Balhatchet, c. Barma, b. Sumy 29  
B. P. Ng, c. Yeoh, b. Rumjahn 29  
S. Nachuma, retired 32  
B. N. Sudan, retired 8  
W. H. Sling, not out 4  
C. L. Tan, b. Loke 1  
F. Hipstool, not out 1  
Extras 3

Total (for 9 wks, dec.) 208  
C. K. Ong, did not bat.

## BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Samy	11	1	46	1
Lam	10	0	63	1
Rumjahn	8	0	69	1
Sullivan	2	0	16	0
Ling	5	0	21	0
Loke	1	0	3	1

## Mr. Rumjahn's XI.

C. H. Yeoh, run out 6  
H. T. M. Barma, run out 6  
C. W. Lam, c. Hachima, b. Hipstool 6  
Dr. D. K. Samy, c. Ng, b. Hipstool 18  
D. Lung, c. Gittens, b. Sudan 20  
A. A. Rumjahn, c. Sling, b. Hipstool 2  
K. T. Loke, c. Gittens, b. Hipstool 2  
S. Kermani, c. Ong, b. Sudan 16  
A. B. Sullivan, b. Ong 6  
R. Chan Fook, b. Sudan 6  
W. Youngs, not out 8  
Extras 8

Total 88

## BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Gittens	5	1	13	4
Hipstool	10	1	32	4
Sudan	8	0	24	3
C. K. Ong	3	1	11	1

## LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

## OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 16, 1926, 10.30 a.m.

Name.	Hongkong Stock Exchange.	Hongkong Shareholders' Association.	British & Foreign Bank & Co.
T.T. on London	111 3/4	111 3/4	111 3/4
T.T. on Shanghai	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2
Banks.			
Hongkong Bank	1140 s	1125 b 1135 s	1140 s
Chartered Bank	1115 s	1115 s	1115 s
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	1115 s	1115 s	1115 s
do. London.	1115 s	1115 s	1115 s
P. & O. Bank	1115 s	1115 s	1115 s
Bank of East Asia	1115 s	1115 s	1115 s
Marine Insurance.			
Canton Insurance	640 b	640 b 650 s	640 b
China Underwriters	145 s	140 s	140 s
North China Insurance	145 s	140 s	140 s
Union Insurance	290 s	290 s	290 s
Yangtze Insurance	445 M. n.	40 n.	40 n.
Fire Insurance.			
China Fire Insurance	200 b	200 b	200 b
H.K. Fire Insurance	615 b	615 b	615 b
Shipping.			
Douglases	28 1/2 b	28 1/2 b 29 s	28 1/2 b
Hongkong Steamboats	26 b	26 b	26 b
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	154 n	154 n	154 n
Indo-China (Pref)	32 b	30 n	30 n
do. (Def.)	42 b	40 n	40 n
Shell Transport	60 n	60 n	60 n
Star Ferries	60 n	60 n	60 n
Water-boats	15 1/2 b	15 b	15 b
Refineries.			
China Sugars	25 s	23 1/2 b	23 1/2 b
Malayan Sugars	36 s	35 s	35 s
Mining.			
Benguet	1 1/2 n	1 1/2 n	1 1/2 n
Kailan Mining Ad.	38 1/2 b	42 1/2 n	47 1/2 n
Langkats (Combined)	32 1/2 b	24 n	28 1/2 n
do. (Single)	12 n	11 n	11 n
Shanghai Exploration	14 1/2 n	5 n	5 n
Shanghai Loan	18 n	8 n	8 n
Raub	4 1/2 n	3 1/2 b	3 1/2 n
Troms Mines	21 1/2 b	21 1/2 b	21 1/2 b
Ural Caspian	8 1/2 n	8 1/2 n	8 1/2 n
Docks, Wharves.			
Godowns, &c.			
H.K. & W. Wharves	115 s	110 s	110 s
H.K. & W. Docks	48 s	43 1/4 s	46 s
Hongkew	1170 n	1170 n	1170 n
New Engineering	154 s	6 s	5 s
Shanghai Docks	1117 s	112 b 114 s	1115 s
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.			
H.K. & S. Hotels	94 s	0 b	9 s
Hongkong Lands	58 s	55 b 56 s	57 s
Hongkong Realty	6 1/2 b	6 b	6 s
H.K. Territorial	3 s	3 s	3 s
Humphreys Estates	14 1/2 s	14 s	14 s
Prince's Building	89 n	87 s	87 s
Rural Lands	1 1/2 n	1 1/2 n	1 1/2 n
Cotton Mills.			
Ewo Cottons	104 s	84 b 9 s	9 s
Oriental	13 s	24 b	26 b
Shanghai Cottons (old)	154 1/2 n	52 b	54 n
do. (new)	128 1/2 n	27 1/2 b	28 n
Miscellaneous.			
Canton Ice	5 n	4 s	5 n
Cements (comb.)	11 s	9 b	9 s
do. (old)	9 n	8 n	8 s
do. (new)	2 n	2 n	2 s
China Buses	5 1/2 b	5 1/2 b	5 1/2 s
China Lights (comb.)	17 1/2 n	16 1/2 b	17 1/2 s
do. (old)	13 1/2 s	12 1/2 b	12 1/2 s
do. (new)	10 1/2 s	9 b	9 s
China Prov.	54 n	5 10 n	5 s
Dairy Farms	18 1/2 b	18 1/2 b	18 1/2 b
Der A. Wing	6 n	5 s	5 s
Hongkong Amusements	16 b	15 n	16 n
H.K. Constructions	185 b 195 s	180 b	2 n
Hongkong Electrics	17 b 59 s	57 b 58 s	57 b
H.K. Ropes (comb.)	10 s	10 s	10 n
do. (old)	10 s	10 s	10 n
do. (new)	5 s	5 s	5 n
Hongkong Tramways	22 1/2 b 23 1/2 s	22 1/2 b	23 s
Lane, Crawfords	8 n	7 s	7 s
Macao Electrics	35 n	35 n	35 n
Mackintosh	19 1/2 n	19 1/2 n	19 1/2 n
Nanyang Tobaccos	15 b	15 b	15 b
Peak Trams (old)	7 1/2 b	8 n	7 1/2 n
do. (new)	9 1/2 s	9 10 b	9 n
Sinceres	9 1/2 s	10 1/2 b	13 1/2 s
Singapore Trams	15 1/2 s	10 1/2 b	80 Cts. s
Taxis	2 s	1 b	1 b
United Asbestos	20 n	600 n	600 n
do. (Founders)	20 n	18 n	18 n
do. (Ordinary)	13 s	13 s	13 s
Watsons	6 1/2 n	5 b	5 n
Wm. Powells	4 s	3 1/2 b	3 1/2 b
H.K. Telephones	4 s	3 1/2 b	3 1/2 b

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The Shanghai branch of the Italian Fascist has recently established a reading room at 89 Kiangse Road, where Fascist works and newspapers may be read, and information given to anyone desirous of learning more about the movement and all it means. In order to correct false impressions, the Fascist review "Il Legionario" has arranged for the benefit of those interested abroad, to publish letters dealing with any questions relating to Communism and to answer the



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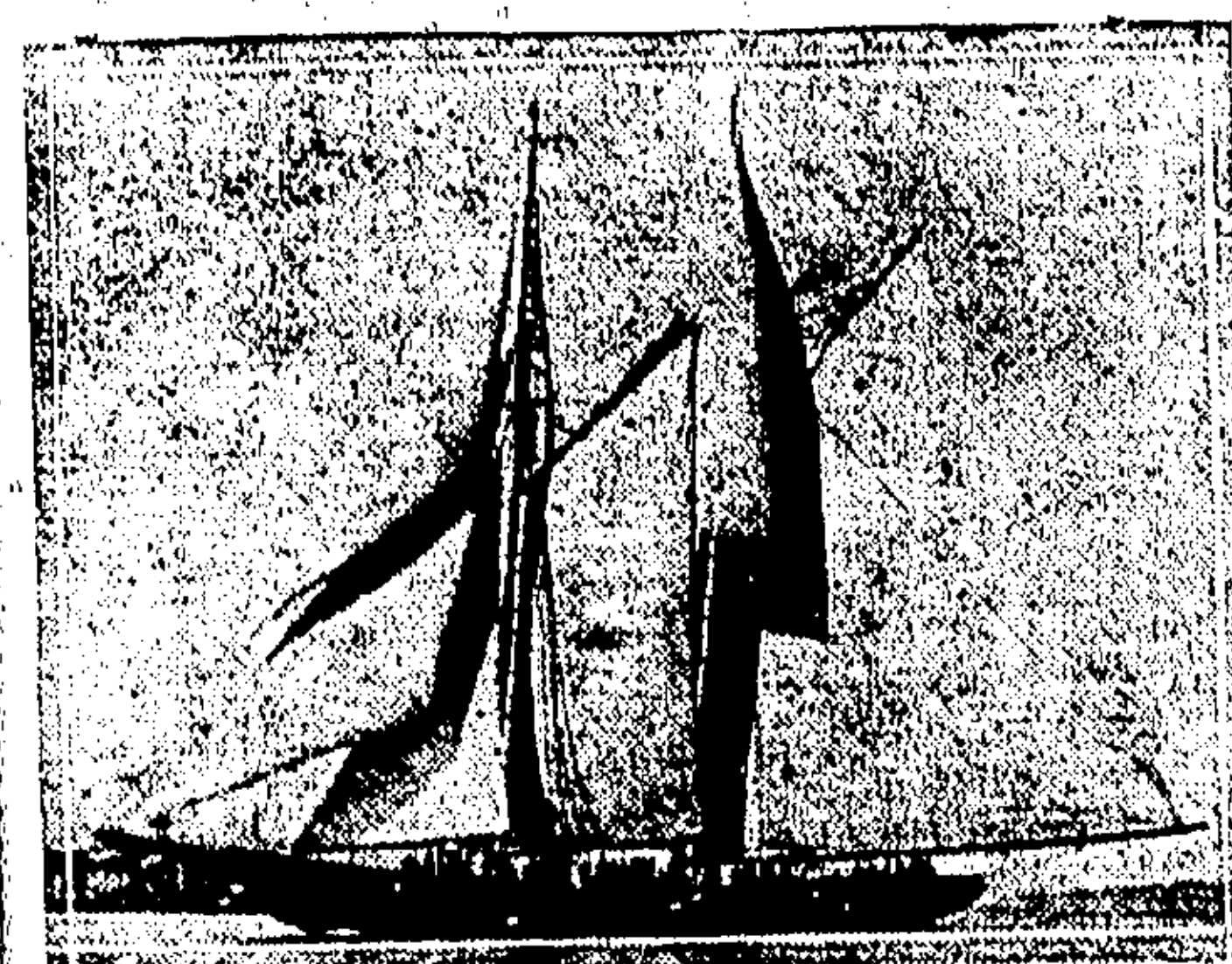
## People and Events in the News of the World



Photo shows ways constructed for the building at Brooklyn of the first navy vessel since the Disarmament Conference. On Navy Day, October 27, the keel of the cruiser "Pensacola" was laid there with appropriate ceremonies.



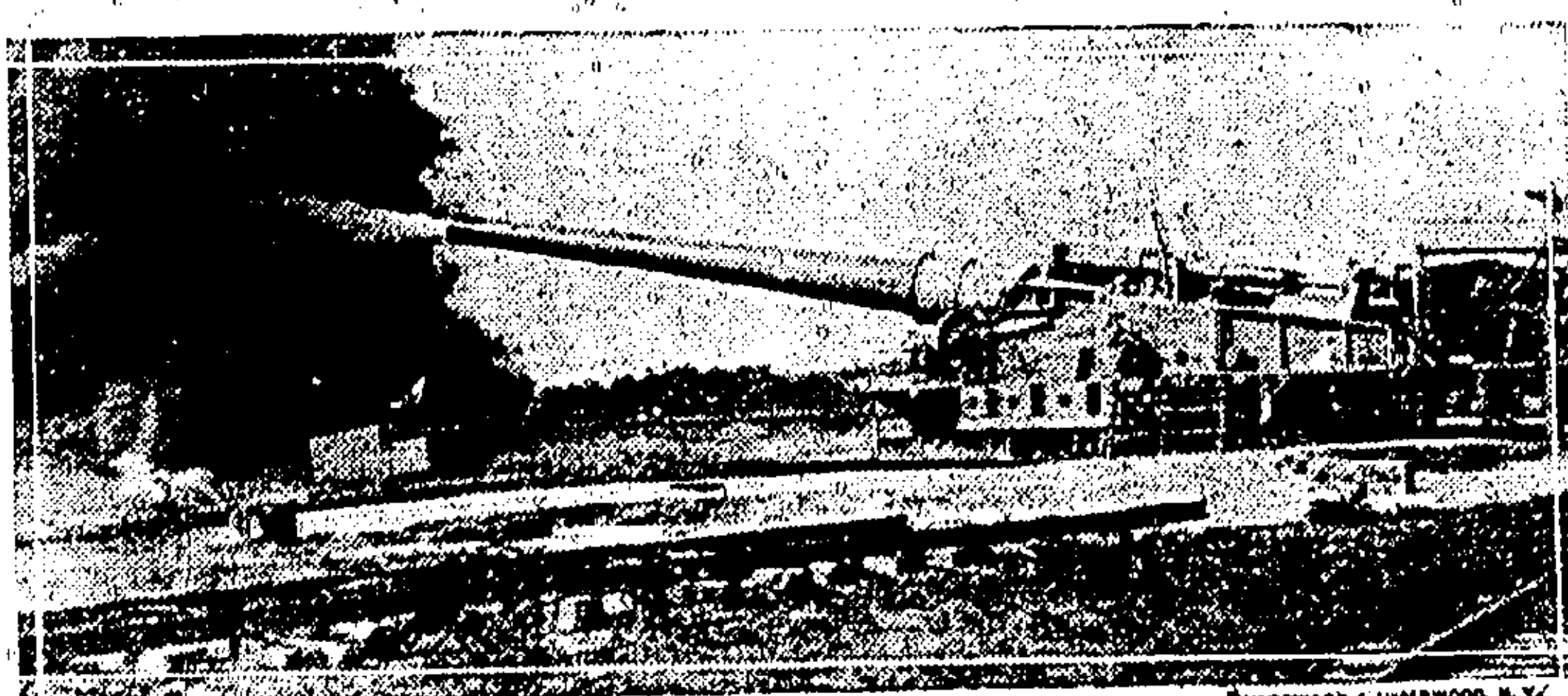
Captain Harold D. Campbell, Marine Corps, holding the Herbert Schiff Memorial Trophy presented to him by President Coolidge as a reward for his having flown 839 hours and 40 minutes without an accident. He retains only temporary possession of the large cup, but is awarded the smaller one in perpetuity.



The schooner "Columbia," captained by Ben Pine, won the championship of the Gloucester fishing fleet by defeating the schooner "Henry Ford" two consecutive times. The annual race was a battle of skippers and Captain Pine's clever handling of the boat aided by fair breezes, brought victory to the "Columbia." Captain Pine has challenged the winner of the Canadian Provincial Fishing Fleet Championship to a race off Gloucester.



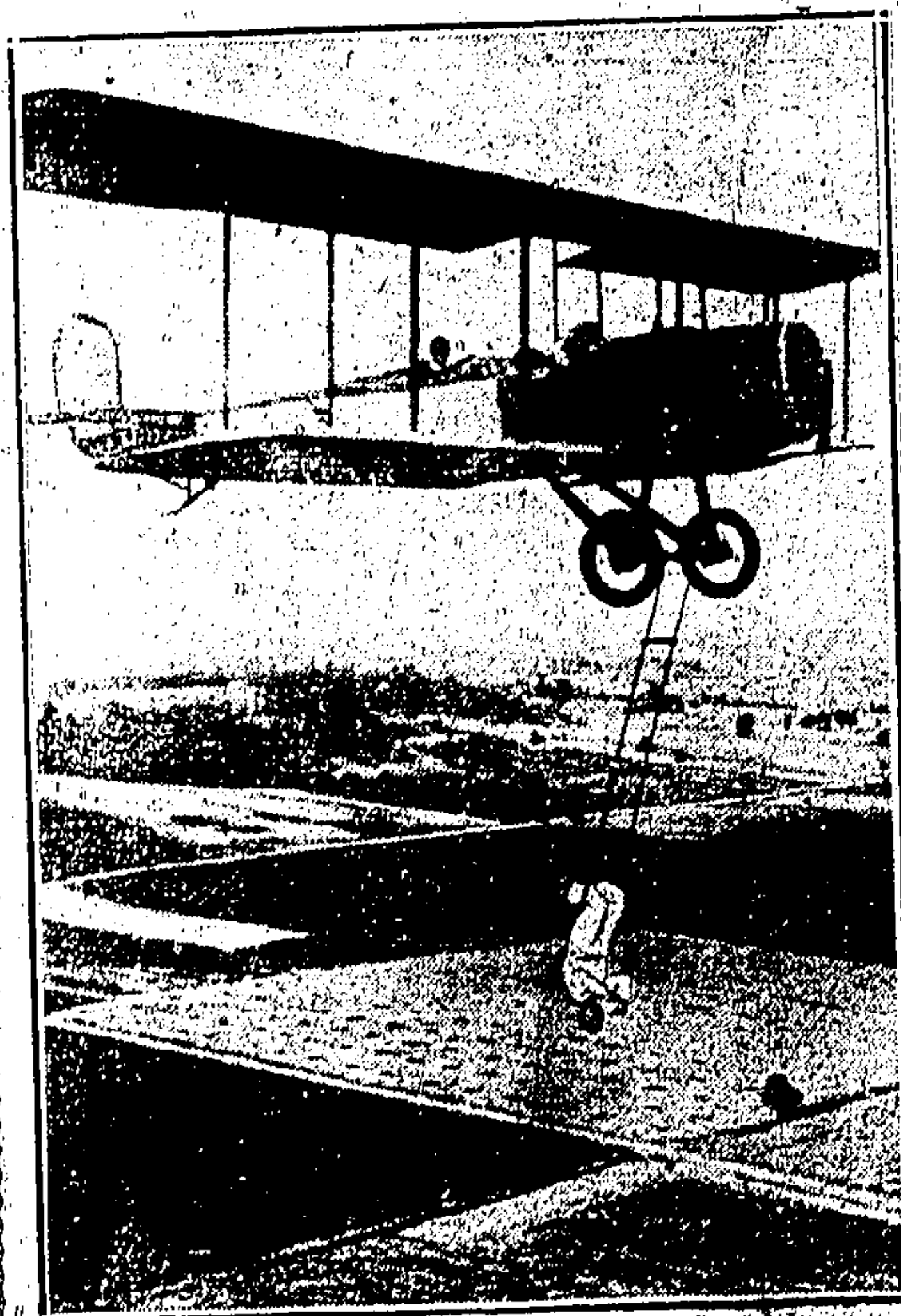
Clarabelle Barrett, school teacher who almost swam the English Channel, had this broad smile at her welcome home.



Before a large gathering of Army officers and other notables, the Ordnance Division of the U.S. Army staged a demonstration of a 16-inch gun. So great was the concussion, that the guard glass in the photographer's camera was broken. The gun, the largest constructed for coast defence, has a range of 30 miles and takes 800 pounds to fire one shell.



Mr. Jacob Rosenthal, who was captured by bandits near Mexico City.



George Ashby is shown hanging, half-conscious, a thousand feet about sea level. He became numb from cold while performing. Realising his plight, Lester Kirk took off in another plane and, after careful manoeuvring, pulled him into the cockpit.



Russel Scott was to be hanged for the murder of a drug-store clerk during a robbery. His case was marked by the heroic fight of his wife to win clemency. She made a public fast to raise funds at one time.

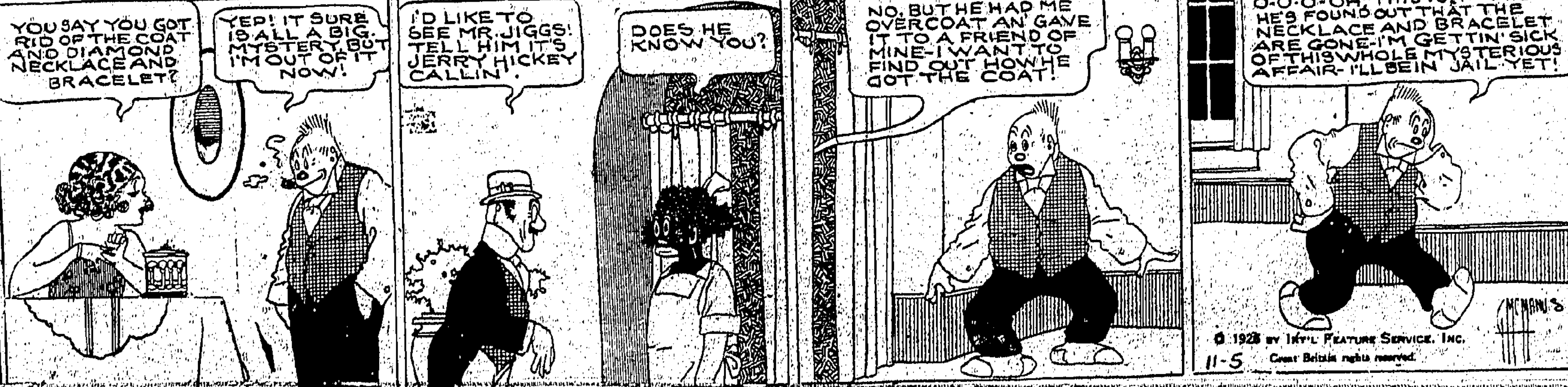


Mrs. Clemington Corson is shown finishing her swim across the English Channel, in a fainting condition.

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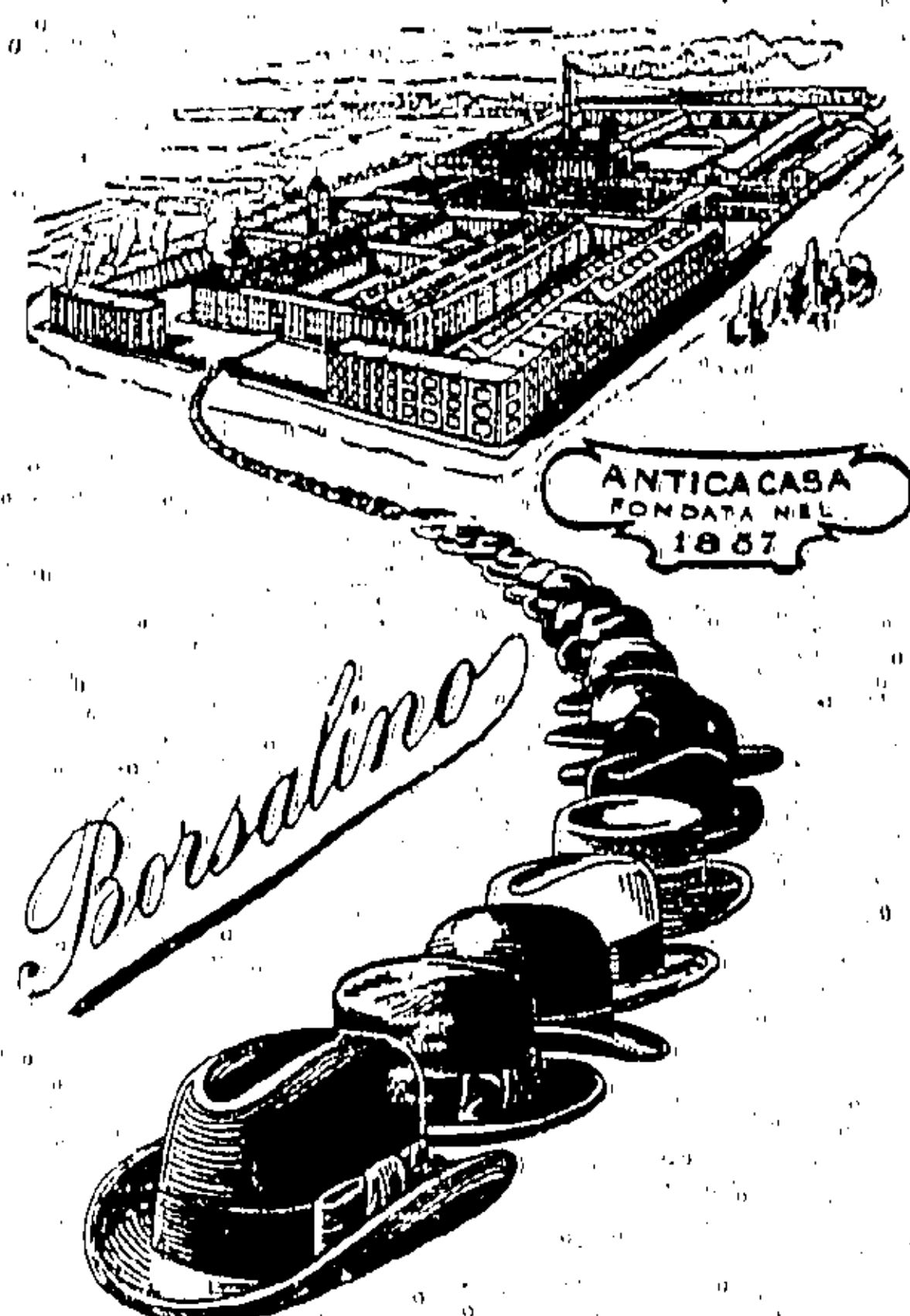
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SIDELIGHTS ON  
PROPAGANDA.

### INTERESTING LETTER.

Bolshevist methods of penetra-  
tion in China are described  
in a letter addressed to a Chi-  
nese student of the Communist  
Academy in Moscow by his  
former comrade, now a member  
of the staff of the Cantonese  
Army, and published in the  
"Pravda."

The letter, which is dated  
from the Wuchang front,  
September 20, describes the  
"famous northern campaign" of  
the Cantonese Army against Wu  
Pei-fu. Twelve divisions were  
engaged, and though, according  
to the writer, Wu Pei-fu dis-  
posed of far larger forces, "our  
units proved vastly superior  
owing to their relative political  
consciousness." This (he con-  
tinues) is recognised not only by  
ourselves and our adversary, but  
is being trumpeted by all the  
capitalist Press. "This was evi-  
dent from the very beginning,  
when, during our advance into  
new territories, the population  
manifested no fear but greeted  
us with open arms. I am writ-  
ing as a witness of the triumph  
welcome given to the National  
Armies by the local population.  
Tired out by a long day's march  
on foot (our only means of  
locomotion), I was daily obliged  
to address the people in the name  
of the Kuomintang and on behalf  
of our generals. What a pity I  
am not an artist that I might  
describe these wonderful night  
welcomes when the people, hear-  
ing of our coming, flocked out  
for miles to meet us with colour-

ed lanterns, national music and  
singing.

"There is no other army in  
China which devotes such atten-  
tion to political work. Appeals,  
illustrated placards, pamphlets  
are being printed in millions of  
copies, and there is not a remote  
hamlet through which the Na-  
tional Army has passed where  
these placards, appeals, and re-  
volutionary orders of our generals  
are not posted."

The author further announces  
the "complete defeat" of Wu Pei-  
fu, and speaks of the "optimistic  
outlook" for himself and his as-  
sociates. "Towards the middle  
of October the soldiers of the Na-  
tional Armies will present the  
Kuomintang [Revolutionary Re-  
publican Party] and the National-  
ist Government with eight or nine  
new provinces. The difficulty is,  
will they prove themselves cap-  
able of exercising proper leader-  
ship within these provinces?"  
The Kuomintang is faced with a  
very tough task, but we hope  
it will come out victorious.

"Having defeated so expert a  
military leader as Wu Pei-fu we  
need not be afraid of the others.  
Not the least part in this victory  
is due to our own work (Com-  
munist envoys from Moscow, ap-  
parently). Instances occurred  
when we led the men with whom  
we are serving in, a bayonet at-  
tack to the strain of revolution-  
ary songs. I lost my A.D.C., a  
Communist, in the attack on  
Wuchang, and myself am still  
alive by a mere miracle. Physi-  
cally we are suffering terrible  
hardships, but are conscientious-  
ly carrying on our work in the  
very midst of war surroundings.  
The old generals sometimes lose  
their heads and cannot manage  
their command, and then it is  
we, the young ones, who come to  
the fore." The letter ends with  
the hope of a "happy meeting  
towards the middle of next  
year."

## CINEMA STARS.

DORIS KENYON BRIDE OF  
MILTON SILLS.

### NATURE'S STAGE SETTING.

Ausable Forks, N.Y., October  
12.—Doris Kenyon and Milton  
Sills, favourites of movie fans,  
were married at noon to-day on  
the shore of a little Adirondack  
lake, bordering the summer  
camp of the bride near this  
village.

Mountains, gay with autumn  
leaves and the blue water  
of Lake Silver, rippled by  
an October breeze, formed  
nature's stage setting, for  
the picture as the actor and  
actress stood before Rev. William  
M. Morrow, pastor of the  
Methodist Episcopal church of  
Delmar, for the outdoor cere-  
mony.

Only 20 persons, members of  
the immediate families of the  
couple, were present, for the  
bride had recently been ill and it  
was desired that the wedding be  
as simple as possible.

The bride was unattended, but  
was given away by her brother,  
Dr. R. T. Kenyon of this village.  
The bridegroom's best man was  
Clarence W. Sills of Chicago, his  
brother.

The engagement of the two  
screen stars was reported  
more than two years ago  
when the actor's ex-wife,  
Mrs. Gladys Sills, brought  
suit for desertion. An error in  
the original decree, granting the  
action, led to the drafting of a  
new decree which became final in  
Los Angeles yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sills plan a  
honeymoon motoring through the  
Adirondacks and visiting Niagara  
Falls, Yellowstone park and the  
Grand Canyon.

## IMPORTANT ITEMS IN SMART ACCESSORIES.

Chic Is Given by a Careful Selection of Little Things; the  
Art of Wearing Jewels to Include Them in  
the Smart Ensemble.



From the almost simple selection of  
correct purse to the fairly difficult  
choice of diamond necklace against a  
black velvet background, Paris gives  
special heed. It is in the handling of  
little things that the really well groomed  
woman emerges.

Just now the vogue for matching  
things has reached a stage where the  
ensemble must include every item of  
chic appropriately selected. It is no  
longer smart to display elaborate  
jewels against a frock of simple lines  
and plain fabric.

To begin with, the vogue of wearing  
jewels smartly has become a very fine  
art. There are jewels for every  
moment of the day and there are a few  
simple rules to remember when select-  
ing them. The smartest note in jewels  
is in the ensemble combinations which  
include pearls, diamonds and rubies; it  
is indeed an effective one. It is in the  
grouping and wearing of these jewels  
that chic is found. Jewels should be  
chosen in their relation to each other  
and with a thought extended to the  
gown which will be their background.

Just now jewels are large, their set-  
tings are simple and they are always  
selected with smart results when in-  
cluded as a part of the ensemble.

The large brooches that are seen  
about town are extremely smart in al-  
most any grouping of jewels but should  
always serve a useful as well as de-  
corative purpose. Holding a scarf in  
place, a draping of tulle on the evening  
gown, or a floral spray in place are  
purposes of real importance for the  
brooch.

Earrings, necklace, bracelet and  
rings should all be related to each  
other in value, period, workmanship  
and in colour schemes—though not  
necessarily matching to create the  
smartest effect.

Often the wearing of a single jewel  
extends the greatest amount of chic.  
For instance, a gown of white satin  
designed to accentuate its simplicity, is  
made really distinctive by the use of  
long, simple diamond earrings; and no  
other jewels. It is in the art of wear-  
ing just the right jewel—or combina-  
tion of jewels that true smartness is  
found.

In a season of varied fashions, the  
purse is of course a fair example of  
changing moods. The summer purse is  
the very large bag which holds all one's  
little things. The pouch bag, the

square bag, the envelope bag and the  
elongated bag all are to be found in  
almost all leathers and in all colours  
to harmonise with the costume. The  
pony skin bag, the antelope bag, and  
coloured kids are all examples of the  
practical bag, while moire, silk, brocade  
and quilted bags also are seen to  
accompany a chic ensemble.

Gloves come to the fore in lending  
an accessory of individuality to the  
costume. They come in simple pull-  
on models or with cuffs of embroidered,  
cut out patterns or in applique and em-  
broidered. They combine colours with  
equal smartness and frequently match  
every shade used in frock, coat and  
hat.

At the foot of the mode new boots  
from Paris reveal a smart simplicity  
which is in distinct contrast with the  
still popular mixed leathers and repti-  
lian skins. New shades are to be found  
with black, gray and beige and rust  
leading the mode. Hosiery to accom-  
pany the new shoes has changed to  
darker tints and is no longer monoto-  
nous in its pale tones.

Scarves continue to add chic when  
snakely tied. Flowers of rather large  
dimensions and bright shades add  
colour and charm. Handkerchiefs con-  
tinue their colourful domination and  
appear in all shapes and sizes. And  
so it goes with infinite interest and de-  
tail to complete a smart ensemble.

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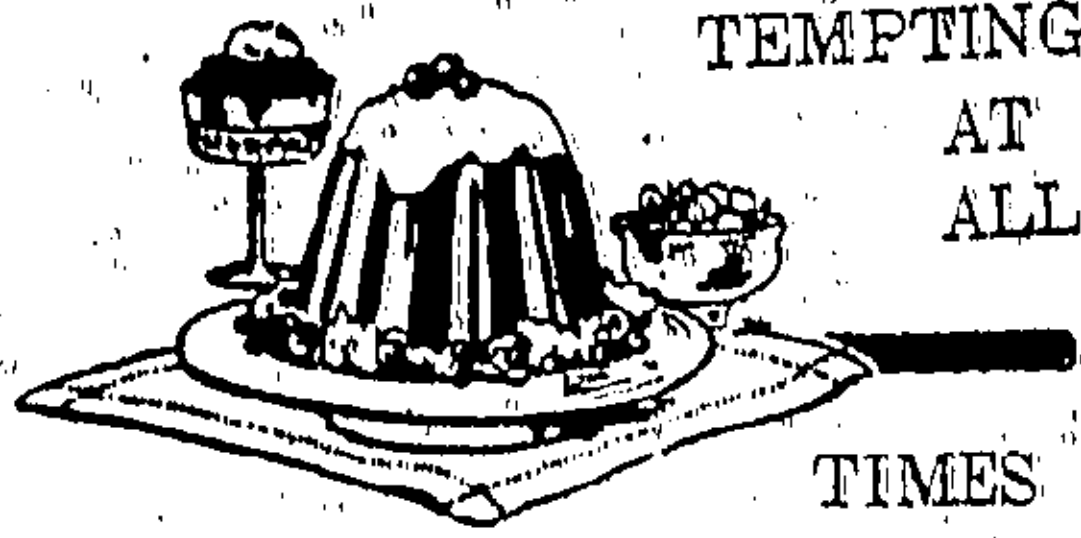
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### INWARD MAILS.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16  
Australia and Manila ..... "Aki Maru"  
Shanghai ..... "Nanking"  
Shanghai ..... "Nanking"  
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17  
Europe via Nagasaki (Letters only London 18th Nov.) ..... "Kumang"  
Manila ..... "Pres. McKinley"  
Manila ..... "Pres. Wilson"  
Japan and Shanghai ..... "Kashima Maru"  
Amoy ..... "Taka"  
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18  
Shanghai ..... "Suizang"  
Japan, Shanghai & Europe via Siberia ..... "Kashima Maru"  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 20  
EUROPE via Nagasaki (papers only London 18th Nov.) ..... "Vegetland"  
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai ..... "Pres. Polk"  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21  
Japan ..... "Tango Maru"  
U.S.A., Canada, Japan, Shanghai ..... "Pres. Jefferson"  
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23  
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai ..... "Pres. Lincoln"  
U.S.A., Canada Japan & Shanghai ..... "Empress of Canada"

### OUTWARD MAILS.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16  
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa ..... "Kosun Maru" 5 p.m.  
Shanghai ..... "Lok Sun" 5 p.m.  
Manila, AUSTRALIA & New Zealand  
via Thursday Island—due Thurs-  
day Island 31st Dec. Parrels  
5 p.m. Registration (17th Dec.)  
8.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.  
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17  
Japan ..... "Aki Maru" 9.30 a.m.  
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa ..... "Haining" Noon  
Shanghai ..... "Sinking" 5 p.m.  
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18  
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E.  
& S. Africa, Aden, Egypt &  
EUROPE via Marseilles—  
due Marseilles 18th Jan. 1927.  
Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters  
9.30 a.m. ..... "Kashima Maru"  
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., U.S.A., U.S.A.,  
America & EUROPE via VIO-  
TORIA, B.C.—due Victoria B.C.  
11th Jan. 1927. ..... "Talythys"  
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E.  
& S. Africa, Aden, Egypt &  
EUROPE via Marseilles—  
due San Francisco 15th Jan.  
1927. Parrels 5 p.m. Registration  
8.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.  
Hollow and Haining ..... "Pres. Wilson"  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19  
Swatow & Bangkok ..... "Minsk" 5 p.m.  
Swatow Amoy and Formosa ..... "Rakgan" 8.30 a.m.  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 20  
Amoy ..... "Suiyang" 5 p.m.  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21  
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa ..... "Haining" Noon  
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauri-  
tius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt  
& EUROPE via Marseilles—  
due Marseilles 15th Jan. 1927.  
Parrels 1.45 p.m. Letters 4.30  
p.m. ..... "General Matsinger"

## KING'S SPEECH.

Review of the Nation's  
Problems.

### EVENTS IN CHINA.

The Duke of York's Visit To  
Australia.

Rugby, Dec. 15.  
The King's speech on the pro-  
rogation of Parliament expressed  
pleasure in acceding "to the  
wishes of my Ministers of the  
Commonwealth of Australia that  
my son and daughter-in-law  
should visit Australia for the  
inauguration of the new Federal  
capital at Canberra."  
"They will extend their visit to  
New Zealand at the invitation of  
my Ministers in that Dominion,  
and in the course of their  
journeys will also be able to see  
several of the colonies."

"The occasion of thus person-  
ally renewing the ties of affection  
which unite my family with the  
peoples of the different parts of  
the Empire will I know, be as  
welcome to the Duke and Duchess  
of York to-day, as it was to the  
Queen and myself more than 25  
years ago."

"I have rejoiced at the oppor-  
tunity given by the recent meet-  
ing of the Imperial Conference to  
welcome in London so many of  
my Ministers from the Domin-  
ions and representatives of the  
Empire of India."

"The report of the proceedings  
of the conference bears eloquent  
testimony to that spirit of good-  
will and mutual understanding  
which marked its deliberations.  
I am confident that its work will  
prove of lasting value to all parts  
of my Empire."

Sympathy for Chinese People.  
Referring to China the speech  
declared that "the situation is  
being watched by my Government  
with the closest attention. Our  
Country is animated by strong  
sympathy for that vast majority  
of the Chinese people whose  
aspirations are for settled condi-  
tions, for a new era of prosperity  
and for friendly relations with  
foreign Powers."

Turning to domestic affairs, "it  
was recalled that during the  
greater part of the present year  
the nation had lived in the shadow  
of the most protracted and ruin-  
ous industrial conflict in its his-  
tory. Hopes that the report of  
the Coal Commission would with  
the willing co-operation of all  
concerned have paved the way to  
a peaceful solution of the great  
social and economic problem of  
the coal industry had not been  
fulfilled."

"It remains to us now to unite  
in effacing all the bitter memories  
of the past and to set our eyes  
steadfastly upon the future in-  
spired by a common impulse to-  
wards 'genuine fellowship and  
sustained endeavour upon which  
alone the prosperity and happi-  
ness of my people can be firmly  
based.'—British Wireless Ser-  
vice."

## PACIFIC HEALTH.

AUSTRALIA'S KEEN INTEREST  
EMPHASISED.

Melbourne, Dec. 15.  
At the opening of the Inter-  
national Pacific Health Confer-  
ence the Acting Premier, Mr.  
Page, declared the Common-  
wealth would not hesitate to  
adopt any positive results achieved,  
with a view to improving the  
administration of the Pacific.  
He opined that mechanism  
should be provided to facilitate co-  
operation by all the authorities in  
the Pacific to secure greater hap-  
piness and better health of the  
people for whom they were re-  
sponsible, and added that the  
Federal Government had made  
an offer to Sydney University to  
build and equip and maintain a  
school of public health and tropi-  
cal medicine, which would be  
available for research in connec-  
tion with Pacific health problems.  
—Reuter.

## DIVORCE CASE REPORTS.

London, Dec. 15.  
The House of Lords to-day  
passed the third reading of the  
Judicial Proceedings bill.  
—Reuter.

## TRADES UNIONS.

PREMIER AND COMMUNIST  
MENACE.

### GOVERNMENT'S INTENTIONS.

London, Dec. 15.  
The first intimation of the Gov-  
ernment's intentions with regard  
to Trades Unions which the Cabinet  
has been discussing for some time  
is given in a letter from Mr. Bal-  
win to Mr. Marshall Pike, Conserva-  
tive candidate in the Smethwick  
by-election.

He says "The cruel and calous  
policy of the Communists to pro-  
mote industrial unrest and to drive  
the workers in, sheer despair into  
joining the revolutionaries must be  
stopped."

"We must prevent them mis-using  
the power of the Trades Unions.  
We must strengthen and protect  
trade-unionism and make it a real  
industrial organisation which, as  
representative of the workers, can  
voice their legitimate grievances  
and meet employers without suspi-  
cion or sinister purpose behind its  
arguments."—Reuter.

## EMPIRE STATUS.

ANSWER TO CANADIAN  
CRITICISMS.

Rugby, Dec. 15.  
Replying in the Canadian Par-  
liament to Conservative criti-  
cisms of the decisions of the  
Imperial Conference, Mr. Mac-  
Kenzie King said that he believed  
the report on Inter-Imperial Re-  
lations expressed in the best possi-  
ble form the opinion of all parts  
of the Empire, and would make  
for great unity within it.

He claimed that Canada had for  
years past led the way in urging  
the view that now prevailed.

When party controversy was  
overcome, the Conference would  
go down to history as fixing en-  
during foundations for national  
autonomy and unity. — British  
Wireless Service.

## FLYING TO INDIA.

AIR MINISTER TO OPEN  
SERVICE.

London, Dec. 15.  
Sir Samuel Hoare, the Secre-  
tary for Air, will utilise the  
Parliamentary recess to make a  
flight to Delhi.  
He will leave Croydon Aero-  
drome on December 27, accom-  
panied by Lady Maud Hoare, and  
Sir Geoffrey Salmond, Air Vice-  
Marshal.

This will be in effect the in-  
augural flight of the public  
airplane service to India.—Brit-  
ish Wireless Service.

## FESTIVE SEASON.

NO HOME PAPERS ON XMAS  
DAY.

### HONG KONG ARRANGEMENTS

London, Dec. 15.  
No newspapers are being pub-  
lished in Britain on December 25  
and none in London on December  
27. The Sunday newspapers are  
publishing on December 26 as  
usual.—Reuter.

The Hong Kong morning and  
evening newspapers will publish  
as usual on Friday, December 24.  
The morning papers will appear  
on Christmas Day but not the  
evening papers. The "Sunday  
Herald" will be published on Box-  
ing Day. The morning papers  
will not be published on Monday  
but the evening papers will be  
published at mid-day. Ordinary  
publication will be resumed on  
Tuesday. Similar arrangements  
will be observed for the New Year  
holidays.

## LIBERAL SPLIT.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE'S  
FINANCIAL OFFER.

London, Dec. 15.  
There was a further develop-  
ment in the Liberal Party situa-  
tion this evening when a meeting  
of the Liberal administrative  
committee adopted by 19 votes  
to 14 the report of the sub-  
committee favouring acceptance  
of Mr. Lloyd George's offer of  
financial co-operation which "it  
was announced Mr. Lloyd George  
had now made unconditional.—  
Reuter.

Fusion of all the Liberal forces  
and funds was brought forward  
as a resolution at a meeting of  
the Administrative Committee of  
the Party on November 24, fol-  
lowing upon an offer by Mr. Lloyd  
George to finance the Liberals at  
the next General Election.

Viscount Grey, presiding at a  
dinner in honour of Mr. Vivian  
Phillips, the Chief Liberal Or-  
ganiser, declared that it was not  
the question of leadership or of  
creating organised schism within  
the Party but that the feeling of  
mutual trust was absolutely im-  
possible, as confidence had been  
destroyed. It was impossible to  
keep step with Mr. Lloyd George.  
When the resolution was passed  
on November 24, the Asquith-  
ians, headed by Mr. Vivian  
Phillips, walked out in protest.

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tional Banking Corporation No.  
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